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1951 TOWN OFFICERS

Elected and Appointed

Selectmen

LAWRENCE R. STONE, Chairman

EDWARD A. DeWITT — EVERETT F. HALEY

Board of Public Welfare

EDWARD A. DeWITT, Chairman

EVERETT F. HALEY — LAWRENCE R. STONE

Board of Health

EVERETT F. HALEY, Chairman

LAWRENCE R. STONE — EDWARD A. DeWITT

Moderator

OLIVER WOLCOTT

Town Clerk

FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE

Treasurer

WALFRED B. SELLMAN

Tax Collector

BERTHA L. CROWELL

Surveyor of Highways

LELAND D. THOMPSON

Assessors

JESSE S. MANN, Chairman
Term expires 1954

ROBERT H. CHITTICK
Term expires 1953

ELMO O. ADAMS
Term expires 1952

Trustees of Public Library

BEATRICE B. HOLMES, Chairman
Term expires 1954

SARAH H. TRUSSELL
Term expires 1953

JOHN F. NEARY
Term expires 1952

School Committee

MORLEY L. PIPER, Chairman
Term expires 1953

GRACE B. LAMSON
Term expires 1954

RUTH F. DONALDSON
Term expires 1952

Tree Warden

RUDOLPH H. HARADEN

Librarians

LYDIA L. HARADEN
Main Library

JENNIE S. PERLEY
Branch Library

Cemetery Commissioners

RAYMOND A. WHIPPLE, Chairman
Term expires 1954

JOHN T. WALKE
Term expires 1952

LAWRENCE C. FOSTER
Term expires 1953

Water Commissioners

GEORGE A. HARRIGAN, Chairman
Term expires 1953

RICHARD H. SMITH
Term expires 1954

FREDERICK P. GOODHUE
Term expires 1952

Park Commissioners

PHILIP HOPKINS, Chairman
Term expires 1952

ALBERT P. LOUGEE
Term expires 1954

RAY M. SANFORD
Term expires 1953

Planning Board

FRANCIS C. MOYNIHAN, Chairman
Term expires 1952

HENRY J. GOURDEAU
Term expires 1954

M. KEITH LANDER
Term expires 1953

ARTHUR E. MORROW
Term expires 1956

RICHARD W. JOHNSON
Term expires 1955

Constable

EDWARD FREDERICK

Chief of Police

EDWARD FREDERICK

Dog Officer

FRANK L. TREE

Moth Superintendent
RUDOLPH H. HARADEN

Park Superintendent
JAMES H. GOODRICH

Superintendent of Cemetery
PHILIP S. PLUMMER

Superintendent of Water Works
RAYMOND A. WHIPPLE

Registrars of Voters
FRANK W. BUZZELL, Chairman
Term expires 1952
JESSIE W. B. CUNNINGHAM — Term expires 1953
LAWRENCE LAMSON — Term expires 1954
FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE, Clerk-officio

Sealer of Weights and Measures
ERVING O. MAXWELL

Town Accountant
FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE

Town Counsel
ROBERT B. WALSH
(Resigned)
STANDISH BRADFORD

Fire Engineers
A. MERRILL CUMMINGS, Chief
HAROLD G. DODD
RUDOLPH H. HARADEN

Finance and Advisory Committee
FREDERIC WINTHROP, Chairman
LAWRENCE LAMSON
JOHN E. LAWRENCE
WILLIAM M. FOLEY
BENJAMIN G. ROBERTSON

Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering
ERNEST M. BARKER

Inspector of Milk
ERNEST M. BARKER

Forest Warden
FRED BERRY

Civil Defense Director

JOHN H. PERKINS

Field Drivers

FRED BERRY
CARL C. ANDERSON
ERNEST M. BARKER
WILLIAM W. BANCROFT

Measures of Wood, Lumber and Bark

JESSE S. MANN
ERNEST M. BARKER
EDWARD W. MacGREGOR
TIMOTHY A. MOYNIHAN

Union Health Department Study Committee

HAROLD A. DALEY, Chairman

DR. ALBERT R. LARCHEZ
PAUL F. PERKINS, JR.
DR. STANLEY A. WILSON
SAMUEL J. TYACK

School Building Committee

FINLAY D. MacDONALD, Chairman

RUTH F. DONALDSON
STANDISH BRADFORD
G. GORDON LOVE
FORRESTER A. CLARK

REPORT

of the

TOWN CLERK

1951

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REPORT OF SPECIAL STATE PRIMARY

Held March 27, 1951

FOR NOMINATIONS FOR REPRESENTATIVE TO FILL VACANCY IN FIFTEENTH ESSEX DISTRICT

TELLERS AND ELECTION OFFICERS

Republican	*Democratic*
Lawrence R. Stone	Lawrence Lamson
Edward A. DeWitt	Mary T. Greeley
Everett F. Haley	Arlene Stone

Joseph B. Sabean

Town Clerk

Francis H. Whipple

Police

Edward Frederick

The warrant was read and polls opened at one o'clock P. M. by Lawrence R. Stone. Chairman of the Board of Selectmen.

A total of 283 votes were cast, 263 Republicans and 20 Democratic, as follows:

Republican		*Democratic*	
Arthur L. Emery	9	Mary B. Amory	17
Robert P. Fuller	3	Henry H. Daley	2
Joseph A. Gillis	3	Blanks	1
C. Henry Glovsky	208		
Austin C. Jones	9		
Charles E. Robinson	27		
Blanks	4		

The polls were declared closed at 8:00 P. M. by Lawrence R. Stone, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen. The results of the balloting were announced at 8:10 P. M.

Attest:

FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE,
Town Clerk.

REPORT OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Held March 5, 1951

AND OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
HELD MARCH 13, 1951

MODERATOR: Oliver Wolcott

ELECTION OFFICERS

Counters

Frank C. Back
Josephine L. Begg
Hazel M. C. Bray
Jeremiah J. Doyle
Mary T. Greeley
Mildred M. Haraden
Thomas A. Sargent
Frank H. Tuck

Checkers

Walter E. Cheever
Henry C. Jackson
Lawrence Lamson
George Morrow
Joseph B. Sabean

Police

Edward Frederick
Henry C. Jackson, Jr.
Charles F. Poole

Town Clerk

Francis H. Whipple

The Moderator, Mr. Oliver Wolcott, opened the meeting at seven-thirty (7:30) in the evening on Monday, March 5, 1951 in the town hall. A count of the voters present by the Moderator, concurred by the Town Clerk, showed 246 voters present and the Moderator declared a quorum present.

Invocation offered by Rev. Edward J. McLaughlin.

Moderator: "The first business of the evening is Article 2: "To choose and appoint all other Town Officers in such manner as the Town may determine."

Moved by Mr. Edward A. DeWtit and duly seconded: "That four field drivers and four measurers of wood, lumber and bark be elected by the meeting from the floor and that the field drivers be nominated and elected first and the measurers of wood, lumber and bark immediately following."

Voice Vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Moved by Mr. Edward A. DeWitt and duly seconded: "That Fred Berry, Carl C. Anderson, William W. Bancroft and Ernest M. Barker be elected field drivers for the ensuing year."

Voice Vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Moved by Mr. Edward A. DeWitt and duly seconded: "That Jesse S. Mann, Ernest M. Barker, Timothy A. Moynihan and Edward W. MacGregor be elected measurers of wood, lumber and bark for the ensuing year."

Voice Vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 3. Moderator: "To hear the reports of the Town Officers and of the Finance and Advisory Committee and all other committees and take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Lawrence R. Stone and duly seconded: "That the reports of the Town Officers and of the Finance and Advisory Committee and all other committees with the exception of the School Building Committee be received and placed on file and that the report of the School Building Committee be considered under Article 11."

Voice Vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 4. Moderator: "To raise and appropriate money for Schools, Highways, and all other Town expenses and determine the manner of expending the same."

As in past years I shall read the items and the recommended amounts and if debate is wished on any item, call "Pass." The items passed will be taken up in order after the others have been voted as a whole."

Mr. Frederic Winthrop: "May I say a word. This budget has been prepared in some detail, and after quite a lot of consideration by the Finance Committee we have approached the problem of how to prepare a budget that will be for the greatest good to the greatest number of people in the town. We consider the duties of the Finance Committee to be those of advising on financial matters and on other matters so that action will be taken at the Annual Town Meeting which would be for the greatest benefit to the majority and not for any particular group of people. This New England town meeting is, I believe, the only form there is of true Democracy. It is up to you people and your vote, which by your way of thinking would be for the best interest of the town and not for any particular single group. We have made recommendations which seem high in some cases, and we have made recommendations that apparently will not be satisfactory or acceptable to some other people.

There is one particular item which I will touch upon now before you go into the question of appropriating money for the American Legion. The Finance Committee realizes that money has been appropriated for a great many years and has been so done in a great many other places throughout the state. We felt that it was not a proper use of town funds to spend it for any special group. Therefore, we felt that we should be derelict if we did not bring it before the people of the town.

We have made recommendations in the Town Report which I hope you have all read. We hope very much that they will be followed. If not, we realize the will of the people is that of the greatest wisdom. At the moment we don't want to have the taxes go up any higher than they are now. However, we do feel that as far as the school goes, that is money well spent."

Moderator: "I shall now read the recommended appropriations."

Finance Committee	$	15.00
Selectmen:		
Salaries		1,150.00
Expenses		1,500.00
Accountant:		
Salary		2,530.00
Expenses		200.00
Treasurer:		
Salary		1,300.00
Expenses		575.00
Tax Collector:		
Salary		1,500.00
Expenses		500.00
Assessors:		
Salaries and Wages		2,115.00
Expenses		350.00
Law:		
Salary		700.00
Town Clerk:		
Salary		990.00
Expenses		250.00
Election and Registration:		
Expenses		1,800.00
Town Hall:		
Salary		2,516.80
Expenses		1,600.00
Essex County Pension Fund:		
Contribution		2,180.64
Police:		
Salary of Chief		3,146.00
Wages—Special Officers		5,000.00
Expenses		935.00
Cruiser Maintenance		750.00
Fire:		
Salary and Wages		1,810.00
Equipment, Repairs and Expenses		2,380.00

Office of Civilian Defense	1,000.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures:	
Salary	230.00
Expenses	100.00
Moth—Town:	
Salary of Superintendent	1,471.80
Wages	900.00
Expenses	372.00
Moth—Private:	
Salary of Superintendent	522.50
Wages	378.00
Expenses	390.00
Tree Warden:	
Salary	929.50
Wages	1,322.00
Expenses	140.00
Special—Planting trees	200.00
Forest Fire Warden:	
Salary	40.00
Expenses	60.00
Board of Health:	
Salaries	120.00
Clerk	60.00
Milk Inspector	75.00
Rubbish Collection	2,500.00
Garbage Collection	2,400.00
Essex County Sanitarium	820.00
Miscellaneous	281.00
Rent of Dump	240.00
Dental Clinic:	
Salary of Nurse	200.00
Expenses	2,600.00
Inspector of Animals:	
Salary	90.00
Expenses	50.00
Highways:	
Salary of Superintendent and Surveyor	3,432.00
Wages of Drivers and Helpers	10,272.00
Labor and Expenses	6,296.00
Snow Removal and Sanding	6,000.00
Street Lighting	8,250.00
New Chevrolet half ton Pick-Up Truck Exchange—Special	1,346.00
Public Welfare:	
Salaries	120.00
Expenses	10,000.00

Old Age Assistance:		
Assistance	PASSED	26,000.00
Administration		2,500.00
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Aid		3,500.00
Administration		25.00
Veterans Benefits:		
Benefits		6,000.00
School Department:		
Superintendent of Schools—Salary		5,350.00
Expense of office		3,125.00
Teachers:		
Salaries		67,824.65
Expenses:		
Text Books and Supplies		5,594.75
Operation of Plant		11,200.00
Repairs and Upkeep of Plant		1,337.05
Transportation		9,435.00
Auxiliary Agencies		2,776.80
Outlay		2,425.20
Specials for High School:		
Vocational		1,000.00
Libraries:		
Salary—Main Library		600.00
Salary—Branch Library		400.00
Wages—Janitor		40.00
Expenses		2,146.25
Parks and Playgrounds:		
Salary of Superintendent		2,745.60
Salary of Instructors		648.00
Labor		600.00
Expenses		1,248.00
Water Department:		
Salary of Superintendent		2,860.00
Salary of Clerk		700.00
Extra Labor		2,300.00
Expenses		8,500.00
Special—Essex Water		1,500.00
Cemetery:		
Salaries of Commissioners		75.00
Salary of Superintendent		2,516.80
Salary of Clerk		100.00
Wages and Expenses		1,005.00
Maturing Debt:		
Interest		2,500.00

Unclassified:

Town Report	1,244.27
Town Clock	500.00
Memorial Day	650.00
American Legion ..... PASSED	.....
Insurance	2,700.00
Planning Board	500.00

Moved by Mr. Frederic Winthrop and duly seconded: "That the various appropriations considered seriatim as amended be approved and that the meeting now proceed to the consideration of the items that were passed."

Voice Vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Moderator: "We shall now go back to the appropriation for Old Age Assistance, as passed."

Mr. Frederic Winthrop: "Last Autumn the people of Massachusetts voted an extra pension for the Old Age but did not vote for the lottery which would pay for the extra pension. The town would have to raise, if this statute remains on the books, $6,000 or $1 on the tax rate, making it $32,000 rather than $26,000. I move that $32,000 be voted for Old Age Assistance."

Voice Vote. Motion carried.

Moderator: "We shall now take up the appropriation for the American Legion, as passed."

Mr. Albert Lougee: "I move that the town appropriate the sum of $1,000 for heat, light and maintenance of the Walsh School for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for the American Legion."

Voice Vote. Motion carried.

Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Chapter 90 Maintenance or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Everett F. Haley and duly seconded: "That the town raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000 for Chapter 90 Maintenance of various streets, to be expended for its share of the work, provided the state contributes to the cost thereof, and that available funds may be used while carrying on the work until the Town is so reimbursed."

Voice Vote. Motion carried.

Article 6. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Construction on Essex Street, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Lawrence R. Stone and duly seconded: "That the town raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000 for Chapter 90 Highway Construction on Essex Street, to be expended for its share of the work, provided the state and county contribute to the cost thereof, and that available funds may be used while carrying on the work until the Town is so reimbursed."

Voice Vote. Motion carried.

Article 7. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account a sum of money for the purpose of building hot-top sidewalks on certain streets of the Town, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the Highway Surveyor, or take any action thereon relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Lawrence R. Stone and duly seconded: "That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000 for the purpose of building hot-top sidewalks, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the Highway Surveyor."

Remarks by Mr. Richard L. Wiggin.

Vote by showing of hands. Motion defeated, 205 to 147.

Article 8. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of $6,000.00 from the Overlay Reserve Account to the Reserve Fund, or take any other action thereon relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Harold A. Daley and duly seconded: "That the sum of $6,000.00 be transferred from the Overlay Reserve Account to the Reserve Fund."

Voice Vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 9. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to transfer the balance of $965.37 in the Surplus War Bonus Funds Account, and raise and appropriate $19,034.16 for the payment of Maturing Debt during the year 1951, or take any action thereon relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Harold A. Daley and duly seconded: "That the unexpended balance of $965.37 in the Surplus War Bonus Funds Account be transferred, and that the sum of $19,034.16 be raised and appropriated for the payment of Maturing Debt."

Voice Vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 10. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of $1,800.00 from the Cemetery Sale of Lots and Graves Fund to the Cemetery Account for the purpose of making improvements to the Town Cemetery, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the Cemetery Commissioners, or take any action thereon relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Raymond A. Whipple and duly seconded: "That the sum of $1,800.00 be transferred from the Cemetery Sale of Lots and Graves Fund to the Cemetery Account for the purpose of making improvements to the Town Cemetery."

Voice Vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 11. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to construct and originally equip and furnish a new elementary school building with grades kindergarten through the sixth grade and to construct an addition to and reconstructions of the existing high school building and originally equip and furnish said addition and reconstructed areas, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the foregoing purposes and to determine the manner in which the appropriation is to be raised, whether by taxation or borrowing, by transfer of available funds or otherwise; or to do or act in any manner relevant thereto."

Moved by Mr. Finlay D. MacDonald and duly seonded: "That the Town construct and originally equip and furnish a new elementary school with grades kindergarten through the sixth grade and construct an addition to the existing high school building and originally equip and furnish said addition, for the cost of which the sum of $602,000 is hereby appropriated, and for the foregoing purpose there be transferred $2,000 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund of the town and the balance of $600,000 shall be borrowed, of which amount the sum of $400,000 is to be borrowed under the authority of Chapter 645 of Acts of 1948 as amended by Chapter 528 of Acts of 1950, and the sum of $200,000 shall be borrowed under authority of Chapter 44 of Massachusetts General Laws (Ter. Ed.) as amended; that the Town reconstruct and make extraordinary repairs to the existing high school building and originally equip and furnish said reconstructed area, for the cost of which the sum of $60,000 is hereby appropriated and for the foregoing purpose there be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Fund of the town the sum of $60,000; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be and he hereby is authorized and directed to borrow under the applicable provisions of the aforementioned laws the said sum of $600,000 by the issue and sale of coupon bonds of the town; and that the Board of Selectmen be and it hereby is authorized to take all such action as may be necessary or advisable to provide for the proper issue of said bonds, and subject to the aforesaid provisions the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen shall determine the date, the maturities and the form of bonds, provided that all said bonds shall be paid in not more than twenty years from date of issue.

Mr. Standish Bradford: "I have always been greatly interested in the children and their education and I was very happy to serve on this committee.

We are recommending for the elementary school $440,000. That compares very favorably with other schools.

We are recommending $166,000 on the high school additions—the gym, new shower rooms, lobby, stage, movable partitions and equipment. Also included will be a new boiler; repairs to the roof and weatherproofing, which will be $60,000.

Mr. Lewis K. Pierce, Sr.: "I make a motion that we vote on this by Australian Ballot."

Mr. Edmund J. Liscomb: "If we take a hand vote and find that there is a question about the vote, I think it would be satisfactory then to take a written ballot."

(The Moderator called for a vote on Mr. Pierce's motion, which was defeated).

Moderator: "We shall vote on this by a raising of hands. As this concerns borrowing, a two-thirds vote is necessary."

Vote by raising of hands. Motion carried, 339 to 48.

Moved by Mr. Lawrence R. Stone and duly seconded: "That the report of the School Building Committee be received and placed on file, and that the said committee be and it hereby is continued to supervise the employment of architects and the construction of the school buildings and reconstructions authorized in the foregoing motion."

Voice Vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Moved by Mr. Benjamin G. Robertson and duly seconded: "That the new gymnasium be dedicated to the veterans of Hamilton who gave their lives during World War II and that the names of those who died be placed therein in an appropriate manner."

Mr. Jerome Flynn: "I have no objection but I wonder if we couldn't make it all inclusive and call it a Memorial Gymnasium, in honor of those who died in the past two world wars, wars to come, and those who died in the service of their town."

Mr. Albert Lougee: "Mr. Robertson represents the committee to find a suitable memorial to those who lost their lives in World War II. Therefore, I don't see how it can be changed."

Moderator: "I shall now call for a vote on Mr. Robertson's motion."

Voice Vote. Motion carried.

Article 12. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire on behalf of the town by purchase or eminent domain under Chapter 79, Mass. General Laws (Ter. Ed.) or otherwise for school purposes the fee in the following described lands and property:

> Beginning at a point in the Easterly line of a public way or highway known as Asbury Street in range with the South face of a stone wall (shown on the plan hereinafter referred to) about one hundred and

forty-three feet (143 ft.) South of a stone monument at Garfield Avenue (as shown on County of Essex Engineers' Office Record Number 2605) of the Southerly line of Garfield Avenue; thence running N 55° 18′ 30″ E through land supposed to belong to Katherine W. McKean four hundred fifty-six feet (456 ft.) more or less to a point in range with another stone wall shown on said plan, which wall bears S 32° 31′ 31″ E on the Easterly side of land supposed to belong to John R. and Anna L. Mann; thence running S 32° 31′ 31″ E through said land of McKean, two hundred sixty-three and seventy-five hundredths feet (263.75 ft.) to a stone bound, thence running in a Southeasterly direction by the Easterly line of land supposed to belong to said John R. and Anna L. Mann, five hundred seventy-five and ten one hundredths feet (575.10 ft.) to a point at the Southeasterly line of said land supposed to belong to said John R. and Anna L. Mann; thence running Southwesterly by the Southeasterly line of said land supposed to belong to John R. and Anna L. Mann four hundred seventy and eighty-one hundredths feet (470.81 ft.), more or less, to a point; thence running N 76° 3′ 30″ W through land supposed to belong to John R. and Anna L. Mann four hundred and two (402.) feet, more or less to the Easterly line of said public way or highway known as Asbury Street; thence running in a general Northerly direction along said Easterly line to the point of beginning. Part of the above described parcel is a portion of a tract of land supposed to belong to John R. and Anna L. Mann and part of the above described parcel is a portion of a tract of land supposed to belong to Katherine W. McKean. The foregoing courses are magnetic as of February 23, 1951. The approximate boundaries of the above described land are shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk of Hamilton entitled "Plan of Land for New Elementary School Site in the Town of Hamilton, Mass. Anderson-Nichols & Company, Engineers, 53 State Street, Boston, Mass. Scale: 1″-60′-0″ February 23, 1951."

and to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the foregoing purpose and to determine the manner in which the appropriation is to be raised, whether by taxation or borrowing, by transfer of available funds or otherwise; or to do or act in any manner relevant thereto."

Moved by Mr. Forrester A. Clark and duly seconded: "That the Board of Selectmen be and said Board hereby is authorized and directed to take by eminent domain on behalf of the town under Chapter 79, Massachusetts General Laws (Ter. Ed.) or to acquire by purchase or otherwise for school purposes the fee in the following described lands and property:

Beginning at a point in the Easterly line of a public way or highway known as Asbury Street in range with the South face of a stone wall (shown on the plan hereinafter referred to) about one hundred and forty-three feet (143 ft.) South of a stone monument at Garfield Avenue (as shown on County of Essex Engineers' Office Record Number 2605); thence running N 55° 18′ 30″ E through land supposed to belong to Katherine W. McKean four hundred fifty-six feet (456

ft.) more or less to a point in range with another stone wall shown on said plan, which wall bears S 32° 31′ 31″ E on the Easterly side of land supposed to belong to John R. and Anna L. Mann; thence running S 32° 31′ 31″ E through said land of McKean, two hundred sixty-three and seventy-five hundredths feet (263.75 ft.) to a stone bound, thence running in a Southeasterly direction by the Easterly line of land supposed to belong to said John R. and Anna L. Mann, five hundred seventy-five and ten one hundredths feet (575.10 ft.) to a point at the Southeasterly line of said land supposed to belong to said John R. and Anna L. Mann; thence running Southwesterly by the Southeasterly line of said land supposed to belong to John R. and Anna L. Mann four hundred seventy and eighty-one hundredths feet (470.81 ft.), more or less, to a point; thence running N 76° 3′ 30″ W through land supposed to belong to John R. and Anna L. Mann four hundred and two (402.) feet, more or less to the Easterly line of said public way or highway known as Asbury Street; thence running in a general Northerly direction along said Easterly line to the point of beginning. Part of the above described parcel is a portion of a tract of land supposed to belong to John R. and Anna L. Mann and part of the above described parcel is a portion of a tract of land supposed to belong to Katherine W. McKean. The foregoing courses are magnetic as of February 23, 1951. The approximate boundaries of the above described land are shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk of Hamilton entitled "Plan of Land for New Elementary School Site in the Town of Hamliton, Mass. Anderson-Nichols & Company, Engineers, 53 State Street, Boston, Mass. Scale: 1″-60′-0″ February 23, 1951."

and that the sum of $6,000 is hereby appropriated for the foregoing purposes, said sum to be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Fund of the town."

Voice Vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 13. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to effect certain necessary repairs and improvements to the High School including the installation of a new oil burner and to transfer the sum of $8,700. therefor from the Excess and Deficiency Account, or take any action thereon relative thereto."

Moved by Mrs. Ruth F. Donaldson and duly seconded: "That this article be indefinitely postponed as the expenditure was taken care of under Article 11."

Voice Vote. Motion unanmiously carried.

Article 14. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to provide additional water supply on School Street, East Hamilton, by erecting a pump house containing original pump and pumping station equipment, laying about 850 feet of eight inch water

mains to connect with existing mains on School Street, to construct gravel pack wells, provide for engineering fees, etc., and determine how the money shall be raised, by borrowing or otherwise, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the board of water commissioners, or take any other action thereon relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Richard H. Smith and duly seconded: "That the town raise and appropriate the sum of $17,250. for the purpose of providing additional water supply by erecting a pump house containing original pumping station equipment, installation of a gravel pack well, laying of approximately 850 feet of eight inch mains to connect to existing mains on School Street, engineering fees and incidentals, and to meet such appropriation the sum of $2,250. be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account and the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of $15,000. and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor, said bonds or notes to be payable in accordance with the provisions of Section 8 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than fifteen years from the date of issue of the first bond or note or at such earlier date as the Town Treasurer and Selectmen may determine; that the Board of Water Commissioners be and hereby are authorized to proceed with the work and to enter into all necessary and proper contracts and agreements in respect thereto, and that the Town Treasurer and the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to do all acts and things necessary or convenient for obtaining said loan and the carrying out of such work with full powers in the premises."

Remarks by Richard L. Wiggin, Richard H. Smith and Senator Philip A. Graham.

Voice Vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 15. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to acquire by purchase or take by eminent domain under Chapter 79 of the General Laws (Terc. Ed.) a certain parcel of land on the southerly side of School Street, East Hamilton, to properly protect the town's water supply and system, and determine how the money shall be raised, by borrowing or otherwise, said parcel being the property of Ralph C. Berry et ux of East Hamilton, and bounded and described as follows: Northerly by School Street about 1,000 feet; Southerly by land of Knowlton, formerly of Boston and Main Railroad about 1180 feet; westerly and Northwesterly by land of Knowlton about 480 feet, containing about six acres, as shown on a plan by Charles H. Morse and Son on file in the office of the town clerk, or take any action thereon relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Richard H. Smith and duly seconded: "That the town authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase under Section 14 of Chapter 40 or take by eminent domain under Chapter 79 of the General Laws on behalf of the Town the fee in a certain parcel of land on the Southerly side of School Street, East Hamilton, belonging to and

assessed to R. C. Berry Motor Corp., to properly protect the Town's water supply and system, bounded and described as follows: Northerly by School Street about 1,000 feet; Southerly by land of Knowlton, formerly of Boston and Maine Railroad, about 1180 feet; Westerly and Northwesterly by land of Knowlton about 480 feet, containing about six acres, as shown on a plan by Charles H. Morse and Son on file in the office of the town clerk. and the sum of $450. be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account for said purposes; and the Selectmen are hereby further authorized with full powers in the premises to do all acts and things necessary or convenient to consummate such purchase."

Voice Vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 16. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to acquire by purchase or take by eminent domain under Chapter 79 of the General Laws (Terc. Ed.) a certain parcel of swamp land located on the southerly side of the abandoned right of way of the Boston and Maine Railroad (now of Knowlton) between Bridge Street and School Street, East Hamilton, to properly protect the town's water supply and system, and determine how the money shall be raised, by borrowing or otherwise, said parcel being the property of Robert H. Chittick, et al of Hamilton, bounded and described as follows: Northerly by abandoned Boston and Maine Railroad right of way about 740 feet; Easterly by land of Chittick about 300 feet; Southerly by land of Chittick about 660 feet; Westerly by land now or formerly of Chittick about 330 feet, containing about 2¾ acres, as shown on a plan by Charles H. Morse and Son on file in the office of the town clerk, or take any other action thereon relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Richard H. Smith and duly seconded: "That the town authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase under Section 14 of Chapter 40 or take by eminent domain under Chapter 79 of the General Laws on behalf of the town the fee in a certain parcel of land on the Southerly side of the abandoned right of way of the Boston and Maine Railroad (now of Knowlton) between Bridge Street and School Street, East Hamilton, belonging to and assessed to Robert H. Chittick and Donald W. Chittick, to properly protect the Town's water supply and system, bounded and described as follows: Northerly by abandoned Boston and Maine Railroad right of way about 740 feet; Easterly by land of Chittick about 300 feet; Southerly by land of Chittick about 660 feet; Westerly by land now or formerly of Chittick about 330 feet, containing about 2¾ acres, as shown on a plan by Charles H. Morse and Son on file in the office of the town clerk, and the sum of $300 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account for said purpose; and the Selectmen are hereby further authorized with full powers in the premises to do all acts and things necessary or convenient to consummate such purchase."

Voice Vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 17. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to accept the the gift to the Town by the French Government of two Road Markers commemorating the March of General George S. Patton, Jr.'s Third Army from the Beachhead at Normandy, France, to Berlin, Germany, and that a committee of three, including the Chairman of the Park Commissioners and the Commander of Augustus Peabody Gardner Post American Legion, be appointed to erect said Markers on the General George S. Patton, Jr. playground and recreation center, and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any action thereon relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Lawrence Lamson and duly seconded: "That the town accept the gift to the town by the French Government of two Road Markers commemorating the March of General George S. Patton, Jr.'s Third Army from the Beachhead at Normandy, France, to Berlin, Germany, and that a committee of three, including the Chairman of the Park Commissioners and the Commander of Augustus Peabody Gardner Post 194 American Legion, be appointed to erect said Markers on the General George S. Patton, Jr. playground and recreation center, and that the sum of $50. be raised and appropriated for such purpose."

Voice Vote. Motion carried.

Article 18. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote that the terms laborers, workmen and mechanics as used in sections sixty-eight to seventy-five inclusive of chapter 152 of the General Laws, relative to workmen's compensation, shall include all employees of the town regardless of the nature of their work, except members of the police or fire force, as provided for by section 69 of chapter 152 and amendments thereto, or take any action thereon relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Everett F. Haley and duly seconded: "That the terms laborers, workmen and mechanics as used in sections sixty-eight to seventy-five inclusive of Chapter 152 of the General Laws, relative to workmen's compensation, shall include all employees of the town regardless of the nature of their work, except members of the police or fire force, as provided for by Section 69 of Chapter 152 of the General Laws and amendments thereto."

Mr. Haley: "In explanation of this, members of the police or fire force are excluded by law. In order to insure the school teachers, librarians and clerical help, we have to accept this article.

Voice Vote. Motion carried.

Article 19. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee to procure and erect in the town hall a suitable permanent Honor Roll commemorating the services of those from Hamilton who served in World War 2 with special recognition given those who gave their lives for their Country, and provide for the relocation in the town hall of the World War 1 Honor Roll, and raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account a sum of money therefor, or take any action thereon relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Frederic Winthrop and duly seconded: "That this article be indefinitely postponed."

Voice Vote. Motion carried.

Article 20. Modeator: "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of five registered voters of the town to investigate and study the provisions of Chapter 662 of the Acts of 1949, being an act relative to the organization of union health departments, and determine the desirability of Hamilton joining with one or more other towns to form a union health department, the committee to report at the next annual town meeting, or take any action thereon relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Everett F. Haley and duly seconded: "That the Moderator be authorized to appoint a committee of five registered voters of the town to investigate and study the provisions of Chapter 662 of the Acts of 1949, being an act relative to the organization of union health departments, and determine the desirability of Hamilton joining with one or more other towns to form a union health department, the commitee to report at the next annual town meeting.

Mr. Haley: "This article is before you at the request of the State Board of Health, who in 1949 had this act passed giving towns permission to set up union health departments."

Voice Vote. Motion carried.

Article 21. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 820 of the Acts and Resolves of 1950, being an act 'providing for an increase in the annual amounts of certain pensions, retirement allowances, annuities and other benefits payable by the Commonwealth and its political subdivisions to certain former employees and persons claiming under them,' or take any action thereon relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Edward A. DeWitt and duly seconded: "That the town accept Chapter 820 of the Acts and Resolves of 1950, being an act 'providing for an increase in the annual amounts of certain pensions, retirement allowances, annuities and other benefits payable by the Commonwealth and its political subdivisions to certain former employees and persons claiming under them'."

Voice Vote. Motion carried.

Article 22. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to authorize a revision of the present By-laws of the town, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the Selectmen, to report at the next annual town meeting or take any action thereon relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Lawrence R. Stone and duly seconded: "That the town authorize a revision of the present By-laws of the town, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the Selectmen, to report at the next Annual Town Meeting."

Voice Vote. Motion carried.

Article 23. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to accept the extension of Lake Drive, so-called, as a public town way, as shown on a plan on file in the office of the Town Clerk, entitled 'Plan of Lake Drive for Acceptance December 13, 1948, Charles H. Morse & Son, Engineers', or take any action thereon relative thereto, as petitioned for by Phillips Brackett and others."

Remarks by Philips Brackett.

Moved by Mr. Frederic Winthrop and duly seconded: "That Lake Drive be accepted when and if it has met with the requirements of the by-law."

Voice Vote. Motion carried.

Article 24. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account a sum of money for the building and maintenance of gravel and secondary roads, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the Highway Surveyor, or take any action thereon relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Frederic Winthrop and duly seconded: "That the town raise and appropriate the sum of $4,500. for the purpose of building and maintenance of gravel and secondary roads, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the Highway Surveyor.

Voice Vote. Motion carried.

Article 25. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to build, grade, drain and oil Forest Street and raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account a sum of money therefor, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the Highway Surveyor, or take any action thereon relative thereto, as petitioned for by David L. Luce and others."

Moved by Mr. David L. Luce and duly seconded: "That the town build, grade, drain and oil Forest Street and that the sum of $2,500 be raised and appropriated for such purpose, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the Highway Surveyor."

Mr. Frederic Winthrop: "You have just appropriated $4,500 for the purpose of looking after gravel roads, their maintenanec and construction. We are fortunate in having an excellent Highway Surveyor. We should put confidence in him and allow him to carry on his program."

Voice Vote. Motion defeated.

Article 26. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to grade, oil and drain Norman Road, so-called, and raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account a sum of money therefor, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the Highway Surveyor, or take any action thereon relative thereto, as petitioned for by W. Whitney Lundgren and others."

Moved by Mr. W. Whitney Lundgren and duly seconded: "That in view of the action of the town under Article 24 this article be indefinitely postponed."

Voice Vote. Motion carried.

Article 27. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to grade, drain and oil Naples Road, so-called, and raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account a sum of money therefor, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the Highway Surveyor, or take any action thereon relative thereto, as petitioned for by William M. Foley and others."

Moved by Mr. William M. Foley and duly seconded: "That this article be indefinitely postponed."

Voice Vote. Motion carried.

Article 28. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to build, grade, drain and oil Howard Street, so-called, from the Hamilton-Wenham town boundary line for a distance of 600 feet, and raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account a sum of money therefor, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the Highway Surveyor, or take any action thereon relative thereto, as petitioned for by Leonard R. Heurlin and others."

Moved by Mr. Leonard R. Heurlin and duly seconded: "That this article be indefinitely postponed."

Voice Vote. Motion carried.

Article 29. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account a sum of money for the purpose of purchasing and laying water mains, acquiring necessary water department equipment including hydrants and attachments therefor to extend the town water system on accepted streets, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the Board of Water Commissioners, or take any action thereon relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. John E. Lawrence and duly seconded: "That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000 for the purpose of purchasing and laying water mains, acquiring necessary water department equipment including hydrants and attachments therefor to extend the town water system on accepted streets, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the Board of Water Commissioners.

The purpose of this $5,000 appropriation is to enable the Water Board to proceed to extend the water system in accordance with their master plan. The intent of the plan is to eventually get water to everyone. Everyone in the town is entitled to water and will eventually get it under this plan."

Voice Vote. Motion carried.

Article 30. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to install water mains on Essex Street beginning at the end of the existing water mains near the corner of Miles River Road and extending along Essex Street to connect with the existing mains on Essex Street near the corner of Chebacco Road, and raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account a sum of money therefor, or take any action thereon relative thereto, as petitioned for by John H. Horn and others."

Moved by Mr. John H. Horn and duly seconded: "That the town vote to install water mains on Essex Street beginning at the end of the existing water mains near the corner of Miles River Road and extending along Essex Street to connect with the existing mains on Essex Street near the corner of Chebacco Road."

Mr. John E. Lawrence: "The Finance Committee feels that the appropriation of $5,000, which has just been voted, will enable the Water Board to proceed in accordance with their master plan. The water system should be extended in accordance with that plan, and the Finance Committee therefore is against this article."

Voice Vote. Motion defeated.

Article 31. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account a sum of money for the purpose of purchasing and laying water mains of not less than six inches but less than sixteen inches in diameter on Lincoln Avenue from the end of existing mains to the end of Lincoln Avenue as accepted by the town as a public way at the annual town meeting held March 6, 1950, a distance of approximately 550 feet, and acquiring necessary water department equipment including hydrants and attachments therefor, or take any action thereon relative thereto, as petitioned for by Albert D. Coonrod and others."

Moved by Mr. Albert D. Coonrod and duly seconded: "That this article be indefinitely postponed."

Voice Vote. Motion carried.

Article 32. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account a sum of money for the purpose of purchasing and laying water mains of not less than six inches but less than sixteen inches in diameter on Highland Street from the end of the existing main to the Hamilton-Ipswich town boundary line, and acquiring necessary water department equipment including hydrants and attachments therefor, or take any action thereon relative thereto, as petitioned for by John Beveridge and others."

Moved by Mr. Roger Taylor and duly seconded: "That this article be indefinitely postponed."

Voice Vote. Motion carried.

Article 33. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account a sum of money for the purpose of purchasing and laying water mains of not less than six inches but less than sixteen inches in diameter on Lake Drive, so-called, as shown on plan on file in the office of the Town Clerk, entitled 'Plan of Lake Drive for Acceptance, December 13, 1948, Charles H. Morse & Son, Engineers,' and acquiring necessary water department equipment including hydrants and attachments therefor, or take any action thereon relative thereto, as petitioned for Phillips Brackett and others."

Moved by Mr. Phillips Brackett and duly seconded: "That the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,000 for the purpose of purchasing and laying water mains on Lake Drive when and if the road is accepted."

Mr. Richard H. Smith: "I think that this should be taken care of in accordance with the master plan and voted for under Article 29. The street first has to be accepted."

Voice Vote. Motion defeated.

Article 34. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1952, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a shorter period than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws and Amendments thereto."

Moved by Mr. Walfred B. Sellman and duly seconded: "That the Town vote to authorize the town treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1952, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a shorter period than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws and amendments thereto."

Voice Vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 35. Moderator: "To see if the Town will authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which a Town Treasurer, when appointed Collector, may use agreeable to Chapter 41, Section 37, General Laws and Amendments thereto."

Moved by Mr. John H. Perkins and duly seconded: "That the town vote to authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which a Town Treasurer, when appointed Collector, may use agreeable to Chapter 41, Section 37, of the General Laws and Amendments thereto."

Voice Vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 36. Moderator: "To act on any other matter that may legally come before said meeting."

There being no further business, it was voted to adjourn at 9:35 p.m. until 5:45 a.m., Tuesday, March 13, 1951, when the balloting under Article 1 shall take place.

Vote on Article 1. March 13, 1951.

Polls were opened at 5:45 a.m. by the Moderator, Oliver Wolcott. There were 1080 votes cast under Article 1.

Men	537	Voted in Person	1059
Women	543	Absentee Votes	21
	1080		1080

MODERATOR—for one year

MacCurrach, Allan	455	Blanks	28
Wolcott, Oliver	597		

TOWN CLERK—for one year

Whipple, Francis H.	957	Blanks	123

SELECTMEN—three for one year

DeWitt, Edward A.	713	Stone, Lawrence R.	755
Dodge, Benjamin A.	481	Blanks	564
Haley, Everett F.	727		

TREASURER—for one year

Sellman, Walfred B.	915	Blanks	165

TAX COLLECTOR—for one year

Crowell, Bertha L.	992	Blanks	88

ASSESSOR—for three years

Bennett, Arthur L.	375	Mann, Jesse S.	486
Colwell, Gerald F.	107	Blanks	57
Dodge, Charles H.	55		

ASSESSOR—for one year

Adams, Elmo O.	557	Blanks	60
Foster, Lawrence C.	463		

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR—for one year

Bancroft, William R.	236	Blanks	28
Thompson, Leland D.	816		

TREE WARDEN—for one year

Haraden, Rudolph H.	911	Blanks	169

SCHOOL COMMITTEE—one for three years

Lamson, Grace B.	577	Blanks	18
Neary, John F.	485		

SCHOOL COMMITTEE—one for two years

Piper, Morley L.	853	Blanks	227

LIBRARY TRUSTEE—for three years

Holmes, Beatrice B.	887	Blanks	193

WATER COMMISSIONER—for three years

Smith, Richard H.	772	Blanks	307
Thompson, Gordon T.	1		

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER—for three years

Whipple, Raymond A.	902	Blanks	177
Donlon, Ellen E.	1		

PARK COMMISSIONER—for three years

Lougee, Albert P.	862	Blanks	218

PLANNING BOARD—one for five years

Morrow, Arthur E.	855	Blanks	225

Question No. 1: Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and fifty-one, entitled, "An Act providing tenure of office for Leland D. Thompson, incumbent of the office of highway surveyor of the town of Hamilton," be accepted?

Yes	501
No	472
Blanks	107

The polls were closed at 8:00 p.m., and the Moderator announced the results of the voting and declared the meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Attest:

FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE,
Town Clerk.

REPORT OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Held November 19, 1951

Meeting opened by the Moderator, Oliver Wolcott, at 8:08 P.M., a count of the voters in the hall having been made and it being found that the required 200 to constitute a quorum were present.

In the absence of a member of the Clergy, the Moderator lead the Meeting in repeating the Lord's Prayer.

Article 1. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase from Wallace H. Knowlton and others on behalf of the town a certain parcel of land situated on the westerly side of School Street containing 1½ acres more or less and shown as the old Boston and Maine Railroad location on a plan on file with the town clerk entitled "Plan to accompany Deed for Wallace H. Knowlton to the Town of Hamilton, Massachusetts, scale 1″-60′ June 1951, Charles H. Morse & Son Engineers;" and to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the foregoing purpose and to determine the manner in which the appropriation is to be raised whether by taxation, by borrowing, or by the transfer of available funds, or otherwise, or to do or act in any matter relevant thereto.

Moved by Edward A. DeWitt and duly seconded that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase from Wallace H. Knowlton and others on behalf of the Town to protect its water supply and system, a parcel of land situated on the westerly side of School Street, containing one and one-half acres more or less, and shown as the old Boston & Maine Railroad location on a plan on file with the Town Clerk entitled "Plan to accompany deed from Wallace H. Knowlton to the Town of Hamilton, Massachusetts Scale 1″-60′ June 1951, Charles H. Morse and Son Engineers," and that for the foregoing purpose there be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Fund of the Town the sum of $300.

Voice Vote. Motion declared unanimously carried.

Article 2. To see if the town will grant temporary and permanent rights of way and easements to Northeastern Gas Transmission Company to lay and maintain pipes for the transportation of natural gas and otherwise in any of the properties of the town in consideration for the payment to the town therefor at the rate of not less than $1.00 per rod and to authorize the Selectmen to take all such action in connection therewith as they in their discretion shall consider desirable; and to take any other action incidental to or connected with the foregoing matters.

Moved by Lawrence R. Stone and duly seconded that the Town grant temporary and permanent rights of way and easements to Northeastern Gas Transmission Company to lay and maintain pipes for the transportation of natural gas and otherwise in any of the lands or properties of the

Town in connection for the payment to the Town therefor of such sums as the Selectmen may determine but not less than at a rate of one dollar per rod; and that the Selectmen be and they hereby are authorized to execute and deliver such instruments and to take other action as they in their discretion shall consider desirable in the name and behalf of the Town to carry out the foregoing purposes.

Voice Vote. Motion declared unanimously carried.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to confirm the acceptance by the Selectmen and accept the grant by Katharine Winthrop McKean to the Town by deed dated May 21, 1951 and recorded with Essex South District Deeds, Book 3820, page 478 of a parcel of land on Asbury Street (which parcel is a portion of the premises which the Town voted under Article XII of the Annual Town Meeting for 1951 to acquire for elementary school purposes), which deed was delivered to the Town without consideration but subject to the reservation of a right of way 25.5 feet in width over a portion of the granted premises.

Moved by Everett F. Haley and duly seconded that the Town confirm the Acceptance by the Selectmen and hereby accept the grant by Katharine Winthrop McKean to the Town by deed dated May 21, 1951, and recorded in Essex South District Registry of Deeds, Book 3820, Page 478, of a parcel of land on Asbury Street (which parcel is a portion of the premises which the Town voted under Article 12 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting for 1951 to acquire for elementary school purposes), which deed was delivered to the Town without consideration but subject to the reservation of a right of way 25.5 feet in width over a portion of the granted premises.

Voice Vote. Motion declared unanimously carried.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote to amend or otherwise change the vote adopted March 5th, 1951, under Article 11 of the Warrant for the 1951 Annual Town Meeting which vote is set forth below in any one or more of the following particulars:

a. by increasing the amounts appropriated in said vote by not more than $150,000 in the aggregate without changing the school projects authorized thereby, and determining the manner in which any increased appropriations shall be

b. raised, or by increasing, reducing, or otherwise changing any one or more of the school projects authorized by said vote and determining the amount of the appropriations therefor and the manner in which said appropriations shall be raised, and to take any other action incidental to or connected with the foregoing matters.

(The following vote was adopted under Article 11 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting held March 5, 1951:

Voted: That the town construct and originally equip and furnish a new elementary school with grades kindergarten through the sixth grade and construct an addition to the existing high school building and originally equip and furnish said addition, for the cost of which the sum of $602,000 is hereby appropriated, and for the foregoing purpose there be transferred $2,000 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund of the town and the balance of $600,000 shall be borrowed, of which amount the sum of $400,000 is to be borrowed under the authority of Chapter 645 of Acts of 1948 as amended by Chapter 528 of Acts of 1950, and the sum of $200,000. shall be borrowed under authority of Chapter 44 of Massachusetts General Laws (Ter. Ed.) as amended; that the town reconstruct and make extraordinary repairs to the existing high school building and originally equip and furnish said reconstructed area, for the cost of which the sum of $60,000 is hereby appropriated and for the foregoing purpose there be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Fund of the town the sum of $60,000; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be and he hereby is authorized and directed to borrow under the applicable provisions of the aforementioned laws the said sum of $600,000 by the issue and sale of coupon bonds of the town; and that the Board of Selectmen be and it hereby is authorized to take all such action as may be necessary or advisable to provide for the proper issue of said bonds, and subject to the aforesaid provisions the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen shall determine the date, the maturities and the form of bonds, provided that all said bonds shall be paid in not more than twenty years from date of issue.)

Moved by Finlay D. MacDonald and duly seconded that the vote of the Town adopted under Article 11 of the Warrant of the Annual Town Meeting for 1951 be and the same hereby is amended to read as follows: "That the Town construct and originally equip and furnish a new elementary school with grades kindergarten through the 6th grade and construct an addition to the existing high school building and originally equip and furnish said addition, for the cost of which the sum of $752,000 is hereby appropriated, and for the foregoing purpose there be transferred $2,000 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund of the Town, and the balance of $750,000 shall be borrowed, of which amount the sum of $500,000 shall be borrowed under the authority of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948 as amended by Chapter 528 of the Acts of 1950, and the sum of $250,000 shall be borrowed under authority of Chapter 44 of Massachusetts General Laws (Ter. Ed.) as amended, and in addition there be appropriated by transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Fund for the foregoing purposes such sum as may be necessary not in excess of $60,000 in order to cover the cost thereof as may be determined by the School Building Committee, and the balance of said $60,000 not so required is hereby appropriated for the purpose of reconstructing and making extra-ordinary repairs to the existing high school building and originally equipping and furnishing said reconstructed area; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be and he hereby is authorized and directed to borrow under the applicable provisions of the aforementioned laws the said sums aggre-

gating $750,000 by the issue and sale of coupon bonds of the Town; and that the Board of Selectmen be and it hereby is authorized to take all such action as may be necessary or advisable to provide for the proper issue and sale of said two bond issues, and subject to the aforesaid provisions, the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen shall determine the date and maturities and the form of bonds, provided that all said bonds of each such loan shall be paid in not more than twenty years from the date or respective dates of issue.

Standing Vote. Motion declared unanimously carried.

All the articles in the warrant having been acted upon, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

Attest:

FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE,
Town Clerk.

REPORT OF SPECIAL STATE ELECTION

Held April 17, 1951

FOR ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVE TO FILL VACANCY IN FIFTEENTH ESSEX DISTRICT

TELLERS AND ELECTION OFFICERS

Lawrence R. Stone
Edward A. DeWitt
Everett F. Haley
Mary T. Greeley
Arlene A. Stone
Edward J. Ready

Town Clerk

Francis H. Whipple

Police

Edward Frederick

The warrant was read and polls declared open at 12:00 o'clock noon by Lawrence R. Stone, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen.

A total of 378 votes were cast, as follows:

Mary B. Amory	89
C. Henry Glovsky	276
Elliot A. Dacey	10
Blanks	3

The polls were declared closed by Selectman Lawrence R. Stone at 8:00 P.M. The results of the balloting were announced at 8:10 P.M.

Attest:

FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE,
Town Clerk.

VITAL STATISTICS

1951 BIRTHS RECORDED

Stephen Robert, son of Edmund T. and Eleanor (Haynes) Belton.
Andrew Ernest, son of Ernest C. and Gertrude E. (Staebner) Berry.
John Alexander, son of John A. and Louise M. (Holland) Bick.
Christine Edna, daughter of Robert L. and Vivian E. (Dodge) Burns.
Samuel Homan, son of Francis H. and Nancy C. (Blagden) Burr.
David Sawyer, son of William J. and Alice P. (Noe) Bursaw.
Garfield Loren, son of Loren R. and Dorothy M. (Dyke) Clark.
Susan Eileen, daughter of Bernard F. and Edith M. (Crawford) Cooney.
Joseph Francis, son of Joseph and Evelyn (Paige) Correia.
Richard George, son of John J. and Shirley M. (Carr) Costello.
Robert Alan, son of David E. and Jane E. (Crosby) Cummings.
Amy, daughter of Elmer J. and Nancy (Cox) Davison.
William D., son of James F. and Roberta (Cronin) Davison.
Deborah, daughter of Frank A. III and Ann (Bemis) Day.
Bruce Robert, son of Malcolm F. and Marian E. (Anderson) Dodge.
James Douglas, son of James H. and Rhoda E. (Emeney) Dunn.
Joan Margaret, daughter of Benjamin F. and Viola (Bailey) Flanders.
David Barry, son of David P. and Elisabeth (Gray) Foss.
Patsy Ann, daughter of Carl M. and Gertrude (Sutton) Freeman.
Albert Joseph, son of Edmund J. and Helen C. (Day) Gallant.
Christopher Hewett, son of Donald W. and Helen (Adams) Gates.
Sally, daughter of Daniel E. and Charlotte E. (Herndon) Hughes.
Linda Hale, daughter of Paul and Carol (Dewey) Lennox.
David Lathrop, son of Willis S. and Marjorie L. (Mason) Levis.
Paul Daniel, son of John D. and Mary M. (Morin) MacIsaac.
Anne, daughter of Edward W. and Ellen M. (Brennan) McGuiness.
Katherine Jane, daughter of John F. and Jane L. (First) McManus.
Margaret Ann, daughter of Reginald A. and Virginia M. (Marks) Maidment.
Harriet Mary, daughter of Samuel D. and Helen V. (Lindbloom) Malone.
Jeffrey Spencer, son of Lee B. and Jean (Schenck) Mann.
Patrick David, son of Edward O. and Regina G. (Farrell) Manthorn.
Reid Cameron, son of Archibald J. and Ruth (Boisvert) Marshall.
Donna Susan, daughter of Ronald C. and Rita (Chenard) Miller.
Cathy Elizabeth, daughter of Irving L. and Mabel J. (Hatch) Morse.

Stephen Charles, son of Charles B. and Jeanne I. (Waterman) Palm.
Dorothy Ann, daughter of Howard G. and Margaret A. (Thimmer) Parker.
Sandford Richard, son of Sandford C. and Barbara (Lunt) Peek.
Dana Philip, son of Raymond L. and Angela L. (Page) Perkins, Jr.
Dwight Richardson, son of William B. and Sylvia A. (Brown) Perry.
Richard Andrew, son of Richard L. and Leonda B. (Bisegna) Pesce.
Donald Sweetland, son of Julius G. and Betty J. (Sweetland) Pisani.
Nancy Jane, daughter of James W. and Yvette (Tremblay) Plummer.
Marcia Lois, daughter of Albert A. and Lois (Johnson) Poirier.
Nancy Anne, daughter of Warren K. and Helen F. (Stranberg) Riddle.
Virginia Allison, daughter of Roland and Florence B. (Olsen) Seawright.
Pamela Jean, daughter of Elmer H. and Virginia S. (Freeman) Smith.
Sherry Frances, daughter of George J. and Jeanette (Levis) Sullivan.
John Randal, son of John W. and Elizabeth A. (O'Donnell) Szaryc.
Doreen Elizabeth, daughter of James H. and Janet (Walker) Thacher.
Steven Arthur, son of Edward A. and Patricia (Parker) Tompkins.
Brian Lupton, son of John H. and Virginia C. (Sloane) Woods.
Deborah Leda, daughter of Peter and Ann M. (Labonte) Zetes.
Nancy Cheryl, daughter of John R. and Eleanor M. (Askew) Zeh.
William McKay, son of John F. and Jean (McKay) Cleveland.
Robert Winthrop, son of Quincy A. Shaw
and Katharine (Winthrop) McKean.
Michael Edward, son of John F. and Ann (Nold) Neary.
Deborah Rose, daughter of Charles L. and Lillian (Battit) Sakey.

1951 MARRIAGES RECORDED

George W. Brown of Hamilton, Mass.
Elinor M. Sullivan of Newburyport, Mass.

Henry C. Jackson, Jr. of Hamilton, Mass.
Barbara F. Whipple of Hamilton, Mass.

Alessandro Cagiati of Hamilton, Mass.
Joy Wilson of Hamilton, Mass.

Lester Dean Charles of Hamilton, Mass.
Shirley E. Sillars of Middleton, Mass.

William Edward Howard, Jr. of Lynn, Mass.
Nancy Elizabeth Brackett of Hamilton, Mass.

Arthur Harvey Washburn of Hamilton, Mass.
Eleanor Margaret Rose of Hamilton, Mass.

Gilbert L. Steward of Topsfield, Mass.
Victoria T. Coolidge of Hamilton, Mass.

Stephen Daniel Kinsella of Hamilton, Mass.
Lois Somes Hotchkiss of Ipswich, Mass.

Frank W. Buzzell, Jr. of Hamilton, Mass.
Florence I. Burnham of Essex, Mass.

Daniel J. McLean of Beverly, Mass.
Anna E. Nixon of Hamilton, Mass.

Francis Hardon Burr of Needham, Mass.
Nancy Pell of Hamilton, Mass.

Joseph R. Gates, Jr. of Hamilton, Mass.
Joan C. Pearse of Hamilton, Mass.

Philip S. Kelleher of Beverly, Mass.
Patricia Ann Turner of Hamilton, Mass.

Norman Joseph Trembley of Hamilton, Mass.
Alice Ida LaCambe of Beverly, Mass.

Thomas C. Lafoe of Hamilton, Mass.
Helen Mary Hajdys of Beverly, Mass.

Robert Paul Perkins of Hamilton, Mass.
Anne F. Blake of Ipswich, Mass.

David P. Foss of Hamilton, Mass.
Elizabeth Gray of Essex, Mass.

George Harold Ricker of Hamilton, Mass.
Mary Gertrude Walton of Beverly, Mass.

Alfred E. Harris of Middleton, Mass.
Beverly L. Wentworth of Hamilton, Mass.

Sidney J. Simpson, Jr. of Hamilton, Mass.
Catherine T. Connery of Beverly Farms, Mass.

Frederick P. Goodhue of Hamilton, Mass.
Helen M. Whiteman of Wenham, Mass.

Arthur Wendell Day, Jr. of Hamilton, Mass.
Blanche May Dodge of Wenham, Mass.

Orin David Gardiner of Hamilton, Mass.
Eleanor Marilyn Hitchings of Beverly, Mass.

Archer Towne Ackerman of Wenham, Mass.
Hazel Shirley Wentworth of Hamilton, Mass.

Robert A. Barker of Beverly, Mass.
Dorothy A. Grant of Hamilton, Mass.

Harold M. Dodge of Hamilton, Mass.
Marjorie B. Lindberg of Beverly, Mass.

Gilbert Livingston Steward, Jr. of Topsfield, Mass.
Sally Jay of Wenham, Mass.

Ralph Ernest Harkinson of Norway, Maine
Winifred Eleanor Trelegan of Cambridge, Mass.

Carl Edward Langill of Peabody, Mass.
Elaine St. Germain of Hamilton, Mass.

George A. Johnson of Hamilton, Mass.
Elizabeth L. Feltis of Hamilton, Mass.

Henry F. Elario of Hamilton, Mass.
Janet Knight of Newburyport, Mass.

Harold Bertus Cole of Randolph, Mass.
Frances Laurelle West of Boston, Mass.

John Henry Perkins, Jr. of Hamilton, Mass.
Maureen Joan Sullivan of Ipswich, Mass.

William J. Schoch of Hathorne, Mass.
Barbara H. Houston of Nashua, New Hampshire

Francis Cabot Parson of Brookline, Maine
Elisabeth Willard Hollander of Wenham, Mass.

Robert Peter Bergeron of Hamilton, Mass.
Alice Mary Harding of Beverly, Mass.

Orin Westman Hansen of Marblehead, Mass.
Elizabeth Mertie Child of Hamilton, Mass.

Roscoe C. Stanhope of Hamilton, Mass.
Erma G. Crowell of Hamilton, Mass.

1951 DEATHS RECORDED

Name	*Years*	*Months*	*Days*
Mauric Kohn	72	0	0
Clarence H. Fisher	60	10	1
Bertha Sampson	60	10	7
William Stuart Forbes	79	5	9
Mary E. Dixon	90	1	9
Mina Tozier	83	3	7
Frederick C. Burrucker	58	4	27
John Mullins	71	0	0
Katherine Agnes Cowdrey	60	11	21
Charles J. Amor	78	0	0
Elizabeth McGinley	80	0	0
Mary A. Doyle	71	0	0
Florence M. Stuart	67	0	5
Martha K. Croly	55	9	20
Rudolph Francis Holup	59	0	0
Joseph Shaffoval	82	0	0
Margaret Connolly Melanson	95	6	1
Rosamond Scott Moulton	75	4	0
Bertha Abbott Crowley	82	10	13
Julia E. Goodwin	71	5	18
Lisa Knowlton		8	16
Edith R. Hook	74	1	22
Hiram William Hook	76	7	9
Albert S. Abbott	87	2	27
Walter R. Snow	78	9	6
Pauline E. Pohas	26	7	25
Robert B. Walsh	87	0	0
William J. Driscoll	80	0	0
Amos A. Minnick	76	5	5
Alice S. Abbott	82	11	19
Roderick L. Jermyn	13	2	1
John Quincy MacGregor	90	3	27
Peter F. Cummings	68	0	0
Berpy Lambert Merry	69	8	22
Michael Joseph Donlon	79	0	0
Adam Frank Piotrowski	31	0	0
Mildred E. Pooler	19	0	0
James Wilson	83	7	25

JURY LIST FOR 1952

Stanley E. Allen, Jr., 17 Durham Avenue, Truck Driver
Joseph E. Austin, Jr., 81 Linden Street, Clerk
Arthur L. Bennett, 191 Asbury Street, Proprietor
Hazel M. C. Bray, 12 Western Avenue, Housekeeper
Lester D. Charles, 55 Plum Street, Painter
Walter E. Cheever, 14 Knowlton Street, Laborer
Robert H. Chittick III, 158 Asbury Street, Manager
Gerald F. Colwell, 84 Union Street, Painter
Walter D. Cooke, 25 Mill Street, Machinist
Donald F. Cutler, Jr., 1031 Main Street, Electronics
James H. Dunn, 14 Baker Avenue, Bookkeeper
Paul V. Eldridge, 78 Perkins Avenue, Stock Room Clerk
John C. Garland, 2 Carriage Lane, Banker
Pauline C. Gould, 33 Home Street, At Home
Frederick W. Gray, 163 Railroad Avenue, Bank Clerk
Helen W. Haraden, 569 Main Street, P. O. Clerk
George A. Harrigan, Jr., 509 Main Street, Shipper
Nellie C. Knowlton, 22 School Street, Housewife
Richard E. Knowlton, 121 School Street, Bank Teller
William F. MacKenzie, 139 Cutler Road, Machine Designer
Reginald H. Maidment, 650 Asbury Street, Caretaker
Francis A. O'Hara, 233 Essex Street, Caretaker
Oscar E. F. Palm, 46 Highland Street, Caretaker
Ralston F. Pickering, 22 Park Street, Salesman
Lewis K. Pierce, 22 Lincoln Avenue, Mechanic
Edward B. Pulsifer, 22 Maple Street, Factory worker
Richard H. Smith, 601 Main Street, Salesman
Floyd R. Walker, 29 Central Avenue, Carpenter
Everett C. Welch, 6 Bridge Street, Service Station Attendant
Raymond A. Whipple, 46 Margerie Street, Superintendent

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

To the Citizens of Hamilton:

We submit herewith a report of the Board of Selectmen for the year 1951.

The final report received from the Federal Bureau of Census showed the official population of the Town of Hamilton to be 2764 when the census was taken in 1950. This represents an approximate increase of 30% over the 1940 figure of the Federal Census, and is among the highest of increases in communities in Essex County.

Work under our Chapter 90 Construction program was postponed on the recommendation of the State Department of Public Works. It had been planned to resurface, drain and widen Essex Street at a cost of $8,000, with $2,000. being the town's share, $2,000 the County share and $4,000 State share. It was found that this amount would only do a small portion of the street, and because of this it was considered for the best interest of the town to carry this money over into 1952 to be added to the 1952 appropriation, thereby doing a greater section of the road.

In accordance with the vote of the Town at the last annual meeting, the Selectmen with the assistance of our Town Counsel have revised the by-laws of the town. We recommend the present by-laws be rescinded and the complete set of revised by-laws be adopted. The proposed by-laws are embodied in the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting for 1952, copies of which will be posted at each of the three post-offices and at the Town hall, as well as printed in the annual town report for 1951.

By a vote of the Town at the 1951 annual meeting and the special meeting held November 19, 1951, the Selectmen were authorized and required to acquire land for school and water purposes. The land for the new elementary school has been acquired by accepting one parcel as a gift to the town by Mr. and Mrs. Q. A. Shaw McKean, and by the purchase of one parcel from Mr. and Mrs. John R. Mann for the sum of $6500. The land for water purposes involves parcels owned by Robert H. Chittick, Wallace H. Knowlton and R. C. Berry Motor Corp. The Knowlton land has been purchased for $300 and the transaction completed. The other parcels have required considerable title tracing and other incidental work. It is expected they will be acquired within a short time.

The perambulation of the town bounds with Manchester, Essex and Wenham was completed during the year. The statutes require that this be done every five years.

A special town meeting was called on November 19th at the request of the School Building Committee. More than the necessary 200 voters to constitute a quorum were present, and it probably was one of the shortest meetings ever held by the citizens of Hamilton.

During the year we received the resignation of Mr. Robert B. Walsh as Town Counsel. Mr. Walsh had served the Town of Hamilton for many years in various ways—as Moderator, Town Counsel, Library Trustee, and took a most active part in developing Hamilton's park and playground

areas. To fill the vacancy the Board appointed Mr. Standish Bradford, an attorney-at-law. Mr. Bradford is well versed in town affairs. He served as Chairman of the Finance Committee for several years prior to his enlistment in the army during World War 2, has served on the Planning Board and various committees, at present he is a member of the School Building Committee. Our dealings with Mr. Bradford have been very pleasant and his services have been most helpful.

We recommend that the sidewalk development project be resumed this coming year, and that $2,000 be appropriated for this purpose. Frequently requests are made for the construction of several sidewalks in one year, which if carried out could result in an appreciable increase in the tax rate. We feel that by doing a portion each year, all the principal sidewalks would eventually be completed with no noticeable increase in the tax rate in any one year. Also, we find the town hall to be in need of painting on the outside, and recommend this be done in 1952. Two years ago we suggested the re-arrangement of the office facilities in the town hall. This matter was postponed at that time pending the result of the studies and investigation by the Town Departmental Study Committee which had not completed its work. This Committee has since completed its work, and its report stresses the need of such re-arrangements. We feel this is necessary to provide increased storage space for the safe keeping of town records and adequate office facilities for the proper conduct of town business with convenience and privacy for visitors and employees.

The Board of Selectmen formally accepted for the Town the gift by the French Government of two Road Markers, commemorating the March of General George S. Patton, Jr.'s Third Army from the Beachhead at Normandy, France, to Berlin, Germany. This was done on April 15, 1951, with appropriate exercises being held at the entrance to General George S. Patton, Jr. Playground and Recreation Center, arranged by the Committee appointed by the Moderator to erect the Markers. A report of this Committee will be found elsewhere in the town report.

During the year it was necessary to borrow $50,000 for school construction work pending the issuing of the bonds. Through the efforts of Mr. John H. Perkins, a former selectman, we were able to borrow this money for the extremely low rate of 1% interest.

We take this oportunity to express our sincere appreciation to all the townspeople, town officials and others who have assisted us during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

LAWRENCE R. STONE
EDWARD A. DeWITT
EVERETT F. HALEY
Selectmen

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

To the Citizens of Hamilton:

Geetings:

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 35, of the General Laws, I herewith submit my annual report of the Treasury Department for the year ending December 31, 1951.

TREASURER'S CASH

Receipts	$676,674.35	
Payments	484,255.54	
		$192,418.81
Cash	9,858.59	
Beverly Trust Company	140,261.21	
Merchants National	19,572.21	
Day Trust Company	22,726.80	
		$192,418.81

I wish to take this opportunity to convey my sincere thanks to not only the town officials, but also the many persons who have assisted me during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

WALFRED B. SELLMAN,

Town Treasurer.

TOWN COLLECTOR'S REPORT

In Account with the Town of Hamilton For the Year 1951

Year	Tax	Outstanding Jan. 1, 1951	Refunds	Abatements Rescinded	Collected	Abatements	Transferred to Tax Title	Uncollected Jan. 1, 1952
1950	Real Estate	$13,392 57	$76 00		$13,168 37	$300 20	None	None
1950	Personal Property	1,610 82			1,601 32	9 50		None
1950	Motor Excise	924 52						
1950	Excise Committed 1951	335 10	45 82		1,132 30	173 14		None
	Commitments							
1951	Real Estate	$225,585 67	$631 00		$206,653 71	4,743 35	$66 50	$14,753 11
1951	Personal Property	25,426 56	21 75		23,288 16	222 30		1,937 85
1951	Moth Assessment	827 35			822 75			4 60
1951	Polls	1,900 00	4 00	$2 00	1,602 00	304 00		None
1951	Motor Excise	27,952 01	830 13		24,568 35	2,267 07		1,946 72
1951	Water Rates Balance	1,978 31						
1951	Rates Commitments	17,001 32	7 70		17,034 72	42 28		1,910 33
1951	Water Services Bal.	369 63						
1951	Services Commitments	1,503 41	9 19		1,687 71	1 00		193 52
1951	Cemetery Balance	86 50						
1951	Cemetery Commitments	448 50			435 25	15 50		84 25

Respectfully submitted,

BERTHA L. CROWELL, *Town Collector.*

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:

We are pleased to submit herewith the Assessors annual report for the year ending December 31, 1951.

The following comparative statistics will give you a very clear picture of how our town is growing and all indications point to a further substantial increase for 1952.

	1949	*1950*	*1951*
Total Valuation	$6,038,280.	$6,323,100.	$6,605.585.
Number of Dwellings	1,010	1,059	1,100

State taxing authorities have advised us that the Motor Vehicle Excise Tax for 1952 will be at the rate of $48.25 per thousand. Local assessors have no jurisdiction over this rate or on the assessed valuation placed upon your car. In the event that you sell or transfer a motor vehicle, proof of the transaction must be presented to the assessors before any abatement of the excise tax may be granted.

Statues now provide that all male persons 65 years of age or older may claim exemption from the payment of a poll tax, providing they file such a claim on a prescribed form which may be obtained at our office.

A new law has been enacted, effective in 1952, exempting up to $5,000. the household effects of a *resident* providing he applies for such exemption on a form prescribed by the Commissioner of Taxation. This form is also available at the Assessors Office.

Value of buildings	$4,609.600.00		
Value of land	1,326,865.00		
Total value of real estate		$5,936,465.00	
Total value of personal estate		669,120.00	
Total Valuation			$6,605,585.00
Tax rate $38.00 per thousand.			
Tax on real estate		225,585.67	
Tax on personal estate		25,426.56	
Tax on polls—950 at $2.00		1,900.00	
Total Taxes assessed			252,912.23

1951 RECAPITULATION

Total appropriations to be raised by taxation		321,841.84	
Appropriations to be taken from available funds:			
(A)—in 1951	79,765.37		
(B)—in 1950 (since 1950 tax rate was established)	7,500.00		
		87,265.37	
State Taxes and Assessments:			
State Parks and Reservations	697.59		
Municipal Audit of Accounts	293.20		
		990.79	
County Assessments:			
County Tax	18,325.23		
Tuberculosis Hospital	6,642.42		
		24,967.65	
Overlay of the current year		5,849.16	
Deficit due to abatements for previous years		626.61	
Gross amount to be raised			441,541.42

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS

Income Tax	23,694.83
Corporation Tax	14,394.34
Reimbursement account of publicly owned lands	5,541.46
Old Age Tax (meals) Chap. 64B—S10	395.21
Old Age Tax (meals) Act of 1950	345.81
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	21,000.00
Licenses	1,500.00
Special Assessments (Moth)	700.00
Protection of personable property	50.00
Health and Sanitation	400.00
Charities (other than Federal grants for aid to dependent children)	1,000.00
Old Age Assistance (other than Federal grants)	14,000.00
Veterans Benefits	1,000.00
Schools	500.00
Public Service Enterprises (Water)	14,000.00
Cemeteries (other than trust funds and sale of lots)	800.00
Interest on Taxes and assessments	300.00
Gas and Electric	9.53
Over estimate of County Tax (previous Year)	1,732.64
Amounts to be taken from available funds	87,265.37
Tax receipts from current years assessments	252,912.23
Gross receipts	441,541.42

LIVE STOCK ASSESSED

Horses	118
Ponies	15
Neat Cattle (1 year or over)	
Cows (milch)	141
Bulls-Oxen-Heifers	103
Yearlings	21
Swine	2
Sheep	47
Fowl	1055

NUMBER OF PERSONS AND CORPORATIONS ASSESSED

Real Estate only	854
Personal Estate only	201
Personal and Real Estate	192

LAND AND DWELLING HOUSES ASSESSED

Acres of Land	6978
Dwelling Houses	1100

The Board will hold its meetings weekly and by appointment. We suggest that all taxpayers read the printed matter appearing on their tax bills.

Respectfully submitted,

JESSE S. MANN
ROBERT H. CHITTICK
ELMO O. ADAMS

Board of Assessors.

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Organization meeting was held on April 2, 1951. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Francis C. Moynihan, Chairman
Richard W. Johnson, Clerk
Arthur Morrow
Henry Gourdeau
M. Keith Lander

The Board conducted Preliminary Hearings and Public Hearings on the following proposed sub-divisions of land:

New England Land Company, Main Street
Joseph M. Ortins, Main Street
Omer Poirier, Chestnut Street
George Harrigan, Main Street

All of the above have received the Board's approval subject to their bonds.

The Board had representation at the Federation Convention of Planning Boards of the State in Fall River, Massachusetts in the persons of Chairman, Francis C. Moynihan and Arthur Morrow.

The Board has voted to bring the Zoning Ordinances before the citizens for their consideration as soon as the details and legal requirements are worked out.

A dinner meeting was sponsored by the Board at which all the town officials were invited for the purpose of acquainting the various town departments with the functions of the Planning Board relative to town planning.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS C. MOYNIHAN, *Chairman*
RICHARD W. JOHNSON, *Clerk*
ARTHUR MORROW
HENRY GORDEAU
M. KEITH LANDER

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my report of the activities of the Police Department for the year 1951:

Total Arrests 35

Male	34	Female	1

Juvenile cases investigated, no arrest 4

CLASSIFICATION OF CRIMES

Delinquent Child	1	Driving to endanger	5
Drunkenness	12	Leaving scene of accident	1
Breaking and Entering	2	Operating without license	1
Larceny	2	Operating under influence	5
Malicious injury to property	1	Speeding	1
Truancy	1	Non-support	3

DISPOSITION OF CASES

Sentenced and put on Probation	5	Sentenced to:	
Fined and paid	14	House of Correction	1
Ordered to pay for Non-support	3	Essex Co. Training School	1
Released without arraignment	10	Private School	1

ARRESTS BY OFFICERS

Frederick, Chief	29	Jackson	2
Poole	3	Charles	1

SUMMONS SERVED

For local department	15	For out of town police	21

AUTOMOBILE REGULATIONS

Licenses revoked by Registrar	24
Registration revoked by Registrar	6
Automobile transfers	132

MISCELLANEOUS

Persons conveyed to hospitals and physicians	99
Dangerous wires reported	8
Street Lights reported out	41
Street obstructions reported	3
Accidents involving personal injury	8
Accidents involving property damage only	26
Assistance to out of town police	42

The Cruiser-Ambulance is nearly five years old and has given a lot of valuable service. It is necessary to keep this car in good condition in order that it may be available for use at a moments notice. The cost of maintenance, as may be expected, increases as the automobile grows older. Therefore, I recommend that a new Cruiser-Ambulance be purchased to replace the one now in use.

I wish to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to the Police Officers, Town Officials and all others who have assisted me in the performance of my duties during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD FREDERICK,
Chief of Police.

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

GENTLEMEN:

The Engineers of the Fire Department submit, herewith, their report for the year ending December 31, 1951:

The Department responded to 43 alarms during the year.

The amount of hose laid: ¾"—1200 feet; 1½"—400 feet; 2½"—4200 feet.

The amount of water used from booster tanks was 3,550 gallons.

750 feet of 1½" hose and 300 feet of 2½" hose was purchased during the year.

The Massachusetts State Board of Education sent Captain Doherty of Arlington to instruct the members of the Department in Firemen's Training, with a course of twenty lessons.

Alarms for 1951:

Date	*Dist. No.*	*Nature*	*Location*	*Owner*
Jan. 3	13	Building,	Essex Street,	C. H. Newlin
5	12	Grass,	Bridge Street,	Leslie Hatt
Feb. 16	21	Inhalator		
25	3-3-3	House,	Wenham	
Mar. 7	21	Grass,	Carriage Lane,	Danton Sawyer
12	23	Grass and fence,	Bridge Street,	John Tuckerman
19	31	Oil Burner,	Garfield Avenue,	Mrs. W. W. Dodge
28	24	Chair,	Moulton Street,	G. B. Parker
Apr. 1	23	Grass,	Bridge Street,	Robert Walsh
7	21	Wax on a stove,	Union Street,	Arthur Begg
21	14	Dump,	Sagamore Street,	Harlan Clock
22	25	Woods,	Cutler Road,	Harvard College
28	25	Woods,	Cutler Road,	Harvard College
May 3	31	Defective boiler,	Moynihan Road,	Albert Jones
9	21	Automobile,	Linden Street	
9	41	Automobile,	Highland Street	
11	14	Dump,	Bridge Street,	Harlan Clock
11	21	Inhalator		
18	17	Dump,	Gregory Island	
28	31	Chimney,	Highland Street,	Asbury Grove Corp.
June 2	31	Oil Burner,	Asbury Street,	William Bouchard
5	21	Inhalator		
18	41	Oil Burner,	36 Highland Street	

Date	*Dist. No.*	*Nature*	*Location*	*Owner*
July 15	14	Dump		
Aug. 2	24	Leaky refrigerator, Main Street		
4	31	Building, off Highland Street, Asbury Grove Corp.		
12	31	False		
28	21	Garage, Pleasant Street, Bernard Collins		
31	25	False		
Sept. 7	31	Tractor, off Asbury Street, Shaw McKean		
7	21	Grass, Main Street, Andrew Anderson		
18	23	Oil Burner, Main Street, Eliot Hubbard		
27	21	Oil Burner, Linden Street, S. C. Gould		
Oct. 27	21	Leaves, Rust Street, J. Donlon		
31	31	Automobile, Grant Avenue		
Nov. 2	31	Store, Asbury Street, S. J. Tillson		
11	21	Grass, Union Street, E. W. Moad		
24	31	Oil Burner, Asbury Street, Paul Chagnon		
29	23	Chimney, Cutler Road, Standish Bradford		
Dec. 12	21	Grass, Asbury Street, Lawrence Stone		
18	24	Chimney, Gardner Street, William Bancroft		
19	21	Television set, Union Street, Frank Tuck		
24	24	Grass, Sagamore Street, H. C. Hatfield		

Respectfully submitted,

A. MERRILL CUMMINGS, *Chief*
RUDOLPH H. HARADEN
HAROLD G. DODD

Engineers.

REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
GENTLEMEN:

I have the honor to submit to you the Annual Report of the Department of the Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending December 31, 1951.

	Adjusted	*Sealed*	*Not Sealed*	*Condemned*
Scales:				
Over 10,000 lbs.		2		
5,000 to 10,000 lbs.	1	3		
100 to 5,000 lbs.	1	3		
Under 100 lbs.	3	18	1	
Weights:				
Each		19		
Capacity:				
Liquid 1 gallon or under		36		
Automatic Measures Devices				
Meters Gasoline				
Inlets 1″ or less	1	2	1	
Oil—Grease		7	12	
Vehicle Tank Meters:				
System		4		
Linear Measures:				
Yard Sticks		2		
Wood:				
Wood Baskets		3		
	6	119	14	

TRIAL WEIGHINGS AND MEASUREMENTS OF COMMODITIES SOLD OR PUT UP FOR SALE

Commodity	*Total Number Tested*	*Number Correct*	*Under*	*Over*
Bread	22	20		2
Butter and Oleo.	77			77
Cereals	22	11		11
Dog Food	33			33
Potatoes	22	4		18
Onions	33			33
Cheese	11			11
Sugar	33	3		30
	253	38		215

Respectfully submitted,
ERVING O. MAXWELL,
Sealer.

REPORT OF THE CIVIL DEFENSE AGENCY

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:

The objective of your Civil Defense Agency, in its first full year of operation, has been to set up soundly and unspectacularly the fundamentals of a community defense program. Public rallies and practice emergency signals have not as yet been attempted in a conscious effort to avoid the anti-climactic. But steady, step-by-step progress, endorsed by the Advisory Council in regular meeting and fully reported in the public press, has, I feel, been achieved.

The Protection Unit under Assistant Director Lawrence Lamson has become a formidable organization with the co-operation of Police Chief Frederick and Fire Chief A. Merrill Cummings. As Chief Frederick's deputy, Marshall D. Gero heads a group of 21 Auxiliary Police who have been meeting regularly for instruction and target practice, as well as occasionally assisting in community police work. In addition to the above activities, the group is affiliated with The North Shore Auxiliary Police Revolver League, and participate in weekly competitive practice. Once again we are indebted to the Beverly Police Department for the wholehearted support and encouragement they are giving our Unit. Fire Chief Cummings is training 21 Explorer Scouts as Auxiliary Firemen in emergency techniques.

Selectman Everett F. Haley, Dr. Henry F. Larchez and Miss Clementina Haynes, visiting nurse, Assistant Directors of the Medical and Health Unit, have registered 31 nurses who meet with Miss Haynes for instruction and discussion of their duties. The group includes Registered Nurses, as well as Special and Domestic Nurses. Pamphlets on "Protection from the Atomic Bomb" were delivered to every Hamilton home last spring by the Girl Scouts, whose co-operation was most helpful.

The Welfare Unit, with Assistant Directors Mrs. Oliver Wolcott and Mrs. B. Preston Cutler, have drawn up plans for emergency feeding and clothing. A special housing subdivision, directed by Mrs. Francis P. Sears and Mrs. John F. Neary with a committee of 30, completed a meticulous house-to-house canvass to ascertain available beds, blankets, cooking utensils, etc., for use in case of emergency.

A survey of available local station wagons, trucks, tractors and bulldozers was made and recorded by the Public Works Unit, of which Selectman Edward A. DeWitt and Gordon L. Thompson are Assistant Directors. Plans for emergency route traffic control stations at the junction of Main and Asbury Streets, and Woodbury and Essex Streets, have been made.

The Communications Unit under Mrs. Ruth F. Donaldson has inspected the methods and facilities of neighboring towns and municipalities. At present, your Director is negotiating for the possible purchase of a

standard Civil Defense radio receiver, which could be a useful police asset when not in emergency use. In the meantime, Messrs. Haszard and Campbell of the Wenham Communications Unit have been most co-operative with the result that we have been covered at all times.

During May and June an American Red Cross Standard First Aid Course was conducted with Miss Eleanor Broadhead of Salem as instructor. Public reception was enthusiastic with some 37 in attendance overall, of whom 20 graduated and received American National Red Cross First Aid Certificates. Currently, an Advanced First Aid Course is being conducted for certificate holders by Mrs. Grover Winn of Beverly. It is hoped that in this way a group of local instructors will eventually be available, and that further Standard Courses may then be regularly scheduled. At the present time, a Standard First Aid Course for every High School pupil has been organized, and your Civil Defense Agency has assisted in the procurement of textbooks. Mrs. Jeanette Houle and Carl J. Martini of the High School Faculty are directing this work which will eventually train over 175 pupils.

For the Town as a whole, the entire Civil Defense organization comprises 154 citizens, most of whom have submitted the required oath cards. As your Director, I am in constant communication with State Headquarters and have attended Regional meetings bearing upon inter-community emergency co-operation. I have found the citizens of Hamilton, without exception, heartily co-operative in all that I have undertaken; and this attitude has been most helpful to me and to those who assist me. May I, at this time, sincerely thank the Selectmen, the members of my Advisory Council, the Assistant Directors and all the public-spirited workers who have lent a hand. Much remains to be done, but, reassured by the fine spirit I have encountered on every hand, I feel confident that our problems will eventually be resolved. That our efforts could prove necessary, an eventuality for which we all devoutly pray, will have no bearing upon our determination to see our full Civil Defense program carried through.

In conclusion, it is my sad duty, and a matter of deep personal sorrow, to chronicle the passing of our esteemed Deputy Director, the late Leland D. Thompson. It was my privilege to serve with Mr. Thompson in similar capacities during the second World War, as well as to know him intimately over many years in Hamilton. From this association I can say with deepest conviction that never has an individual served his community with greater zeal and devotion. We, and all of Hamilton, shall miss his warm personality, his energy and his commonsense counsel. We salute him as we mourn him.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN H. PERKINS.
Director.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:

Overall book circulation of the Hamilton Library for 1951 was substantially that of the previous year, according to the succeeding Librarian's Report. This is encouraging, in view of appreciable losses recorded in the past two reports, and for lack of a better reason attributed to the rivalry of television. It is interesting that a circulation loss at the branch library in the village is balanced in a relative way by an increase at the main library. This may well be due, of course, to the sizable number of new dwellings erected during the past year in the Hamilton Center area.

The Trustees feel that the Book Selection Committee has proved its worth during 1951, and has resulted in a more comprehensive choice of literature to meet all tastes. Mr. Melvin F. Reid has done excellent work as chairman of this group, and library officials are very grateful to him.

In an effort to cope with our well-known bookshelf limitations, the Trustees have arranged for the construction of several mobile bookcases at the South Hamilton Branch, and are happy to report that economy is being served by having the work done in the Manual Training Department of the High School. Both Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Milton C. Blanchard, and Mr. Marshall D. Gero of the Faculty, have been highly co-operative in this project, and the Trustees are sincerely grateful to them. One shelf unit has already been completed and reflects much credit on the boys who did the work as well as their instructor, Mr. Gero. The Library Trustees feel that this co-operative enterprise, with Town Departments joining hands to mutual advantage, productively and financially, merits the attention of the townspeople.

The possibility of the Lamson School supplying the much-discussed central library for Hamilton (when that building has been supplanted by the new school) has been a current topic. The Trustees of the Library are naturally interested, but realize that many factors are involved, and the possibility somewhat remote, if engaging.

We are happy to have this annual opportunity to express our thanks to our diligent veteran Librarians, Mrs. Haraden and Mrs. Perley, for their faithful service during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

BEATRICE B. HOLMES
SARAH H. TRUSSELL
JOHN F. NEARY

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

To the Trustees of the Public Library:

Herewith is presented the fifty-ninth annual report.

The circulation of books for 1951 was 11,596: at the Main Library 4,309; at the Branch Library 7,287. This represents a decline at the Branch Library of 1,194 and a gain at the Main Library of 881. This represents a loss of 313 as against the circulation of 1950.

Circulation of books divided as follows:—

Main Library: adult fiction 2,526, juvenile 905, total 3,431; adult non-fiction 817, juvenile 61, total 878. Grand total 4,309.

Branch Library: adult fiction 5,083, juvenile 1408, total 6,491; adult non-fiction 594, juvenile 202, total 796. Grand total 7,287.

The circulation of periodicals showed a loss of 159. Circulation at the Branch Library 571; at the Main Library 894. Total 1,465.

The total circulation for 1951 books and periodicals was 13,061.

Respectfully submitted,

LYDIA L. HARADEN,
Librarian.

REPORT OF THE PARK COMMISSIONERS

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:

The Board of Park Commissioners herwith submit the report for the year ending December 31, 1951.

A very successful playground season closed August 23rd with an outing held at Canobie Lake Amusement Park in Salem, N. H.

There were 160 children registered at the playground and during the season particpated in the following activities: archery, badminton, baseball, checkers, croquet, decathelon, handicraft, ping-pong, softball and tennis, under the supervision of Miss Frances Buckley, Gelean Campbell and Mrs. Freda Colwell.

This summer 62 small children registered with a 75% attendance. This group played games and used the park equipment.

In handicraft period all ages made attractive articles such as gimp bracelets, figurines and pot holders.

The boys baseball team had a very active schedule of nine games.

The girls softball team had a 5 game schedule.

On Tuesday morning throughout the season an instructor was present at the Roosevelt Ave. Playground to supervise games and teach handicraft to children from 4 to 8 years old. This group held their final party on Tuesday, August 21 when refreshments were served. Ribbons were awarded the winners by Albert Lougee, Park Board Member.

Special events during the season consisted of a weekly beach party at Crane's Beach, a picnic at Wingersheek Beach, sponsored by the Mother's Club, a Weenie Roast at Patton Park, and Outing at Canobie Lake.

All tournaments were held the week of August 13th, finals were played off during the week of August 20.

A Weenie Roast was held for all children who regularly attended the Playground and the new grill purchased by the Park Department was greatly enjoyed. This grill can be used by any organization in Hamilton, at Patton Park, by making arrangements with Mr. James Goodrich, Supt.

At the conclusion of this party awards to winners of the tournament were presented by Mr. Philip Hopkins, chairman of the Park Board. Special awards were made to Barbara Liscomb and Charles Dolliver for attendance and all round good sportsmanship.

The instructors wish to express their appreciation to Supt. James Goodrich for his kindness and efficiency in keeping all equipment and playing fields in excellent condition during the season.

The Park Commission wish to thank the Town Officials, all other departments and the Citizens of the Town for their fine co-operation in making this a very successful year.

Respectfully submitted,
PHILIP HOPKINS
RAY M. SANFORD
ALBERT LOUGEE
Park Commissioners.

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:

The Cemetery Commissioners submit herewith their report for the year ending December 31, 1951.

Thirty-five interments were cared for by the Superintendent.

Nine family size lots and one single endowed grave were sold.

We believe the water supply will be adequate for some years to come, 937 feet of two inch, 150 feet of inch and one quarter, and 750 feet of one inch pipe were laid. This arrangement gives a good supply of water covering the area from Main street to Oak Avenue.

The shade trees on the Main avenue were trimmed, a few dead Maples and some old Pines had to be removed due to the hazard they created.

It will be necessary in 1952 to ask that money be transferred from the Cemetery Sale of Lots and Graves Fund, to develop more family size lots. The increase in sales the last five years has made it advisable to have more land ready.

The cooperation given the Cemetery by the various Town departments is greatly appreciated.

We wish to thank our Superintendent, Phillip S. Plummer who has performed his duties so conscientiously.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND A. WHIPPLE
LAWRENCE C. FOSTER
JOHN T. WALKE
Cemetery Commissioners.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Water Commissioners herewith submit their Annual Report for the year ending December 31st, 1951.

The 12th full year of operation of the system finds the Department with an increase of 68 new services. New extension of about 700′ was carried out on Lincoln Avenue this past year and the pipe was purchased for the laying of the mains on Essex Street which are to be installed during this coming year.

Contracts were let for our new Pumping Station Equipment—Building and Laying of main to School Street. We expect completion of this project in April.

We wish to thank the residents of the Town of Hamilton and all the Town Departments for their co-operation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. HARRIGAN
RICHARD H. SMITH
FREDERICK P. GOODHUE
Board of Water Commissioners.

REPORT OF THE WATER SUPERINTENDENT

To the Board of Water Commissioners,

GENTLEMEN:

I herewith submit my report of the activities of the Water Department for the year 1951.

Owing to the number of new homes constructed in the past year the department has been exceedingly busy installing new house services, sixty-eight of which were installed this year making a total of eight hundred and fifteen services. In comparison, ten years ago the department installed twenty-seven services making a total of three hundred and twelve.

The total amount of water pumped in 1941 was 23,950,000 gallons and average daily consumption was 65,343 gallons.

The largest amount of water pumped in a month in 1951 was in November when the total was 4,020,000 gallons.

Total gallons pumped in 1951	40,692,000 gallons
Total gallons purchased from Essex	6,528,700 gallons
Total gallons consumed in 1951	47,220,700 gallons
Daily average consumption	129,372 gallons

I wish to urge all householders to be extremely careful of leaking water faucets and flush toilets. Water costs money. Do not waste it.

The following tables gives some reasons for high water meter readings.

Leaks through opening of	Waste per quarter
1/4 in.	1,200,000 gal.
3/16 in.	675,000 gal.
1/8 in.	300,000 gal.
1/16 in.	75,000 gal.
1/32 in.	19,000 gal.

at 60 lbs. pressure.

The use of Calgon has been continued as in the past years. Water samples have been taken and sent to the State Department of Sanitation for analysis as required. Hydrants have been flushed and checked throughout the system. When necessary meters have been taken out repaired and placed back in service.

I wish to express my appreciation to the Water Commissioners and other towns officials who have assisted me in any way.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND A. WHIPPLE,
Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:

We submit, herewith, a report for the year ending December 31, 1951.

Routine collections of both rubbish and garbage were maintained with satisfactory results. The Board requests that householders keep the garbage free of rubbish and the rubbish free of garbage.

The Board attended a meeting in Salem with reference to the fluoridation of the Town water supply. We believe that this program will be of great benefit to the community and we urge its acceptance at the Annual Town Meeting.

The following communicable diseases were reported during the year:

Chicken Pox	2	Measles	2
Mumps	4	Dog Bite	7

The Dental Clinic has been continued under the direction of Dr. John King, assisted by Miss Florence Stobbart, School Nurse, with very satisfactory results. A report of the Dental Clinic follows this report of your Board of Health.

We wish to take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to the late Leland D. Thompson, Surveyor of Highways, for his splendid assistance and friendly advice so often extended to this Board.

Respectfully submitted,

EVERETT F. HALEY
EDWARD A. DeWITT
LAWRENCE R. STONE

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE FORMATION OF A UNION HEALTH DEPARTMENT

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:

This committee was appointed last year to investigate and study the provisions of Chapter 662 of the Acts of 1949 relative to the formation of union health departments and to recommend whether or not Hamilton should join with other towns to form such a union.

Under the Act municipalities having a population of less than 35,000 which have not voluntarily joined a health union by 1959 will be included in such a union by the state department of public health, unless they provide certain minimum health services. Neighboring towns now have no plans to form a health union. The matter is being investigated in some towns, however, and this committee has planned a meeting with representatives of such towns.

Because of the limited information now available, this committee thinks that it is not now advisable for it to make any recommendation as to the desirability of Hamilton joining with other towns to form a health union. It suggests, however, that its authority be continued for another year.

Respectfully submitted.

HAROLD A. DALEY, *Chairman*
DR. ALBERT R. LARCHEZ
PAUL F. PERKINS, JR.
SAMUEL TYACK
DR. S. A. WILSON

REPORT OF THE DENTAL CLINIC

To the Hamilton Board of Health:

GENTLEMEN:

I herewith submit my report of the Hamilton Dental Clinic for the year 1951.

Amalgram fillings	412
Cement fillings	61
Cement linings	34
Zinc Oxide linings	12
Cleanings	119
Extractions:	
Temporary teeth	32
Permanent teeth	2
Novocaine injections	48
X-rays	23
Flourine treatments	20
Root canal treatments	21
Examinations	63

During 1951 work was done on 173 children with a total of 662 visits to my office.

The 63 examinations were done for the children and no charge was made for same.

79 children received their Dental Certificates during the year, and while this number is smaller than in other years, it is easily accounted for. When the Clinic was started in 1941 the enrollment in the first six grades was about 180. Now it is more than twice that number.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN KING, D.M.D.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

To the Citizens of Hamilton:

We submit herewith a report of the Welfare Department for the year ending December 31, 1951.

The expenditures for general relief during 1951 showed a decrease of approximately $2600 in comparison to 1950. This was principally due to a decrease in medical costs and the transfer of cases to other categories of assistance.

Expenditures for Aid to Dependent Children during 1951 were increased by approximately $2600 over 1950. This was principally due to dependent families with several children moving into town.

Old Age Assistance payments increased by approximately $7,000 over 1950, due to a cost-of-living increase during the year—an increase in the number of recipients, and increased medical expenses.

Legislation enacted during the year which becomes effective on January 1, 1952 increases the minimum amount of old age assistance and other income that a recipient shall receive to $55 per month for a person living in a family group and to $75 per month for a person living alone. Based upon our present case load, this will result in an increase of $3,000 in our expenditures for 1952. This legislation also provides that a lien must be taken on all property in which an old age assistance recipient has an interest, with provisions for recovery by the town of assistance granted after January 1, 1952.

A new category of assistance was created by the 1951 Legislature known as "Disability Assistance." As the title implies, this category is for permanently and totally disabled persons. Seventy-five percent of the assistance granted under this category is reimbursed by the Federal Government and the State, the remainder being the town's share of the cost.

During the year Robert H. Kirby completed his on-the-job training program and is now eligible to take the examination for welfare work. Francis H. Whipple, welfare agent for several years, has continued to carry on the work on a part time basis.

The following figures show the expenditures, reimbursements and net cost to the town for each category during the year:

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Expenditures		*Reimbursements*	
By Town	$44,199.92	Federal Government	$21,324.00
		State	16,574.35
		Meals Tax	681.79
		Towns and Cities	624.79
		Individuals	157.00
		Net Cost to Town	4,837.99
	$44,199.92		$44,199.92

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Expenditures		*Reimbursements*	
By Town	$4,244.13	Federal Government	$1,691.57
		State	1,215.28
		Individuals	753.80
		Net Cost to Town	583.48
	$4,244.13		$4,244.13

GENERAL RELIEF

Expenditures		*Reimbursements*	
By Town	$7,349.78	State	$148.85
		Towns and Cities	571.60
		Individuals	190.00
		Net Cost to Town	6,439.33
	$7,349.78		$7,349.78

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Expenditures			
By Town	$730.75	Due from Federal Government & State	$548.06
		Net Cost to Town	182.69
	$730.75		$730.75

We express our sincere appreciation to all who have assisted us in any way during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. DeWITT
EVERETT F. HALEY
LAWRENCE R. STONE
Board of Public Welfare.

PROGRESS REPORT OF SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:

At a special Town Meeting held November 19, 1951, additional funds in the amount of $150,000 were voted to enable completion of the school building program as planned in spite of sharply rising costs.

Contracts were forthwith awarded to the low bidders on the separate projects: elementary school to Farina Construction Company, Inc.; high school alterations and additions to Knut Swanson, Inc.; high school heating plant to Francis H. Maroney. The bids on waterproofing, however, were rejected because the great range of bids received gave rise to the opinion on the part of the Committee that the specifications as written left too much room for doubt. Accordingly, these specifications were amplified and re-advertised, and at this writing it expected that the contract will soon be awarded.

Much thought was given to the choice of a clerk of the works, and this position, so important to the Town's investment, was given to Joseph F. McComiskey of Beverly.

Work on both schools was begun before the end of November, and in spite of the unpropitious time of year, has progressed favorably. Much depends on the weather of late winter and early spring, still more on the continued availability of materials and labor, yet it is believed that a good beginning has been made.

Your Committee is well aware that many hazards can arise as work progresses, but looks forward with reasonable optimism to satisfactory completion of the schools by September.

Respectfully submitted,

FINLAY D. MacDONALD, *Chairman*
STANDISH BRADFORD
FORRESTER A. CLARK
RUTH F. DONALDSON
G. GORDON LOVE
School Building Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO ERECT ROAD MARKERS

By authority of a vote of the Town at the 1951 annual meeting, a Committee consisting of Lawrence Lamson, Philip C. Hopkins and John H. Ostrom was appointed to erect the French Memorial Road Markers which were given to the town through the 40 et 8 of the American Legion by Avranches and LeHarve, France, commemorating the late General George S. Patton, Jr., of Hamilton and his famed Third United States Army for liberating those French cities during World War II.

The committee engaged Edward MacGregor, local contractor, for the sum of $50, the amount appropriated by the town for the purpose, to erect the Markers on the stone columns at the Main Street entrance to Patton Memorial Park. Mrs. Patton, the General's widow, had the area graded and planted with shrubs, and on April 15, 1951, a public ceremony was held at the Park to dedicate the Markers.

At this ceremony, the French Consul to Boston, Albert Chambon, and the Fourth Armored Division Associates, which the General formerly commanded, plus many high-ranking military officers, took active parts, as did Augustus Peabody Gardner Post 194 American Legion. Essex Voiture 633, 40 et 8, the Board of Selectmen and the Reverend Halsey DeWolfe Howe, Pastor of Christ Church, Hamilton.

Respectfully submitted,

LAWRENCE LAMSON, *Chairman*
PHILIP C. HOPKINS
JOHN H. OSTROM

REPORT ON THE ELMS AND THE DUTCH ELM DISEASE IN HAMILTON, MASSACHUSETTS

By Charles O. Baird, Forester

This report was prepared at the request of Mr. Rudolph H. Haraden, Tree Warden and Moth Superintendent for the town of Hamilton, upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee. Primarily, it is intended to provide the town authorities with information which may be of value in planning and carrying out a program for reducing the threat of the Dutch elm disease to the elms of property value in Hamilton. Also, it is hoped that from the report the townspeople may gain a better understanding of the serious nature of this disease and of the problems involved in protecting the healthy elms. The elm census, which is the basis of this report, was made by Mr. Haraden and the writer. Recommendations which we have made herein are based both on the findings of research agencies and on the experiences of other towns in which the Dutch elm disease has been prevalent for several years.

The Dutch elm disease may be described briefly as a fungus (minute plant) which clogs and poisons the water-conducting vessels in the sapwood of elm trees and which usually results in death to an infected tree. It was first discovered in the United States in 1930, having been brought to this country from Europe on burl elm logs imported for the furniture veneer trade. This fungus is carried principally by a small beetle, commonly known as the elm *bark* beetle (not to be confused with the elm *leaf* beetle). This beetle breeds under the bark of dead and dying elm wood and feeds on the tender bark of healthy elms. While feeding, it may innoculate a healthy elm with the spores of the Dutch elm fungus picked up from a diseased elm. The difficulty in combating this disease lies largely in the fact that present practical control measures are indirect, i.e., control of the carrier beetle rather than of the fungus itself.

The most recent report from the Shade Tree Laboratories at the University of Massachusetts shows that 247 towns in 11 counties in Massachusetts have had elm positively identified as having been infected with the Dutch elm disease, which was first discovered in this state in 1941. Of these 247 towns, only 53 were reported as being without new infections in 1951. This fact is significant because it indicates the nature of the Dutch elm disease. Based on the record, the odds are great that if the disease once gets into a town, it will continue to kill elms for several years unless it is brought under control by artificial measures.

According to the aforementioned report from the Shade Tree Labora-

tories, no samples from infected elms have been received from within the town of Hamilton. This fact, however, should not be regarded as conclusive evidence that the elms in your town are free of this disease, because the official report is based only on those trees from which samples have been received and diagnosed as positively infected. However, observations during the course of our survey lead to the conclusion that the elms in Hamilton are not at the present time endangered by an extensive outbreak of the disease, provided adequate protective measures are undertaken immediately. The need for these is intensified by the fact that the adjoining towns of Essex, Ipswich, and Wenham had elms stricken with the Dutch elm disease in 1951.

ELM CENSUS

The results of the elm census are given in tabular form on the next page. In making the census, all elms, public and private, which were located within 500 feet of town roads were counted. Approximately 30 miles of streets were covered. Elms within the state highway right-of-way on Main Street were not counted because the town has no jurisdiction over them.

Elms classified as shade trees were placed in one of the three following categories: (1) Priority spraying and pruning; (2) General spraying and pruning; and (3) Removal. Also, each elm was classified as to ownership (public or private) and as to size (over 10 inches or under 10 inches in diameter at breast height). While these classifications do not result in the requirements or exact locations of individual trees being given, we believe they are of sufficient detail to show the overall condition and to enable more accurate cost estimates to be made for the necessary Dutch elm disease control work. In this survey, each street was considered a unit, and complete figures are given by streets. Elms not of value as shade trees, i.e., woodland elms located adjacent to town roads, were estimated and are shown separately. Figures shown for these trees are approximations.

Under the arbitrary counting restrictions, the census showed that there are approximately 2100 elms of value as shade trees in Hamilton, exclusive of the elms located on the state highway right-of-way. Of this total, approximately 550 are public trees and 1550 private. Of the public elms, approximately two-thirds are large trees, i.e., over 10 inches in diameter at breast height. The census further showed that there are now 4 public elms which, because of their physical condition, are now, or will soon become menaces to public travel and are likely breeding places for the elm bark beetle—carrier of the Dutch elm disease. In addition, there are 20 private elms which may contribute toward the increase in bark beetle population. All of these trees have been recommended for removal. Finally, the census showed that there are approximately 175 public elms of such outstanding beauty, location, and apparent physical vigor as to justify every reasonable effort to protect them from the Dutch elm disease and the attacks of the elm leaf beetle. We recommend that these trees, whose street locations and size class are shown in the table, receive priority in spraying and pruning.

ELM CENSUS — HAMILTON, MASSACHUSETTS — JANUARY, 1952

Location	Total* No. Elms	Recommended for Removal					Recommended for General Spraying & Pruning					Public Trees† Recommended for Priority Spraying & Pruning			Woodland Elms Located within 300 Feet of Street Elms		
		Public		Private			Public		Private								
		over 10″	under 10″	over 10″	under 10″	Total	over 10″	under 10″	over 10″	under 10″	Total	over 10″	under 10″	Total	over 10″	under 10″	Total
Arlington St.	1								1		1						
Arthur Ave.	2								2		2						
Asbury St.	171	1		1		2	46	19	84	20	169	15	5	20	15	35	50
Bridge St.	131						32	2	60	37	131	16	1	17		100	100
Chebacco Rd.	11						5	2	4		11						
Chestnut St.	5								4	1	5						
Cutler Rd.	101			(1)1		1	14	21	44	21	100	5	7	12	15	25	40
Essex St.	163						30	16	53	64	163	11	4	15	15	20	35
Gardner St.	41						14	4	19	4	41	2	1	3	10	50	60
Goodhue St.	25			2		2	6		8	9	23	2		2			
Hamilton Cem.	16						14	2			16	14	2	16			
Highland St.	303	3		1		4	110	22	120	47	299	31	6	37	50	200	250
Home St.	2								2		2						
Linden St.	6								4	2	6						
‡Main St.	669			(3)8	2	10	4	1	452	202	659	4	1	5	80	100	180
Maple St.	20						1		7	12	20	1		1			
Miles River Rd.	24						1		18	5	24						
Moulton St.	61						19	18	15	9	61	3	5	8	25	150	175
Orchard St.	10								8	2	10						
Railroad Ave.	14								14		14						
Sagamore St.	56						13	13	22	8	56	5	3	8	40	100	140
School St.	7						2	3	2		7	1	1	2			
Union St.	10						1	5		4	10	1	1	2			
Walnut Rd.	38			4	1	5	2		14	17	33	2		2	15		15
Willow St.	6								6		6					20	20
Winthrop St.	126						46	19	40	21	126	11	8	19	30	70	100
Woodbury St.	89						16	10	44	19	89	3	3	6		15	15
Totals	2108	4		(4)17	3	24	376	157	1047	504	2084	127	48	175	295	885	1180

*Less Woodland Elms. ( ) Topped Trees. ‡Does not include Elms on State Highway Right-of-Way.
† Also included under Elms recommended for General Spraying and Pruning.

In addition to the some 2100 elms classified as shade trees, the census showed that there are roughly 1200 woodland elms so located as to jeopardize street elms should the disease become rampant in the future. This fact is significant because it may make the problem of controlling the Dutch elm disease much more difficult, due to the possibility of innumerable breeding places becoming available in such areas.

With respect to the data given in the table, attention should be called to the fact that the method employed in making the census does not guarantee the accuracy of counting down to the last tree. However, for the purpose intended, the accuracy is believed to be adequate. Also, the survey was made when the trees were leafless, at which time it is of course more difficult to determine the vigor and condition of a tree than when the leaves are present. Hence the figures shown may have to be adjusted slightly with the reappearance of the leaves in the spring.

GENERAL PROTECTIVE MEASURES

There are at present four methods of fighting the Dutch elm disease on which scientists and practical tree men are in general agreement. These are: (1) Spraying with a high concentrate of DDT *before* the leaves appear (April 15 to May 15) and again in mid-summer (July 1 to July 15) with a lower concentrate (because of danger to foliage) of DDT to kill the bark beetles when they emerge and begin to feed in the crotches of the twigs. DDT properly applied and in sufficient amounts is reported to be effective against the elm bark beetle for from 2 to 3 months. There are usually two broods of bark beetles each year.

(2) Removal of dead and dying elms to prevent their being used for breeding purposes by the bark beetles. Removed trees should be burned immediately to destroy the bark. If stumps are left in the ground, the bark should be removed below the ground level and burned. An alternative to removing dead and dying elms is to keep such trees covered with sufficient amounts of DDT to kill any bark beetles emerging from under the bark.

(3) Pruning dead and dying branches from otherwise healthy elms.

(4) Feeding of the elms by various methods of fertilization. It is believed that a healthy, vigorous tree will be able to ward off attacks from insects and diseases more readily than a declining one.

HOPE FROM RESEARCH

A new chemical treatment has been found very effective experimentally in preventing the Dutch elm fungus from infecting seedling elms by the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station. While this agency will not recommend this treatment for practical use yet, it feels that this new treatment offers more hope for controlling the Dutch elm disease than anything yet discovered. If this chemical compound proves effective after more testing, it will provide the first direct control measure against this disease.

SPRAYING WITH DDT

Research by various state and federal agencies has shown conclusively that DDT, properly applied and in sufficient amounts, is very effective in controlling the Dutch elm disease by preventing bark beetle feeding on healthy elms. The question then arises as to why do towns which have been spraying their elms with DDT continue to have large numbers of elms stricken with this disease? The answer is that insufficient amounts of DDT are applied per tree to provide the greatest degree of control possible. Most research agencies recommend that from 3 to 5 pounds of actual DDT be applied per tree for the dormant spray. In dollars this would mean an expenditure of from $5 to $10 per elm for one year's protection. It is obvious that such heavy doseages, even though greater control will be obtained from their application, are financially out of reach for most towns. Research has further shown that, within limits, protection increases with increasing amounts of DDT applied per tree. Consequently, each town must determine how much money it can justifiably spend on spraying its elms, and in that way determine how much DDT can be applied per tree. Even if only half a pound can be put on, some control will be obtained.

We recommend that a minimum of one pound of DDT be applied during the dormant spray to those elms of exceptional value-priority elms. Half this amount should be applied during the foliage application. If the remaining public and private elms cannot receive this much material, they should be sprayed with lighter dosages.

If a DDT emulsion concentrate containing a known amount of DDT by weight is mixed with a known amount of water, the resulting mixture will contain a known amount of DDT per gallon. Thus the operator of the mist blower will know exactly what the delivery rate, in pounds of DDT, is. Care should be exercised in spraying with heavy concentrations of DDT. Certain plants, such as Japanese red maple and barberry, are particularly susceptible to DDT burn. Also, high concentrations of DDT may have harmful effects on birds.

SPRAYING, REMOVING, AND PRUNING COSTS

As will be concluded from the above, the cost of spraying elms with DDT is largely dependent upon the amount of material applied per tree. Other variables of importance are type of spraying equipment employed and whether municipal or private crews do the work. The town of Hamilton owns a mist blower and town employees do the spraying. These facts should keep the cost of spraying at a minimum.

The cost of removing elm trees depends upon many variables, as does spraying. The figure of $100 has often been cited as the cost of removing the average elm from a city street by a private contractor. A large tree, located near buildings, may cost several times this much, whereas smaller trees located in the open may cost only a few dollars.

Pruning dead branches from elms requires the services of skilled and experienced climbers. Consequently, the cost of such work may well be

one of the big items in the control program. Generally, pruning is charged for on a per hour basis and may be as much as $2.00 or $3.00 per man hour when done by a private contractor.

PROSPECTS OF STATE HELP

Although the law provides that the state may reimburse a town for one-half of the money spent for the control of the Dutch elm disease, in excess of one-fiftieth of one per cent of the town's evaluation, lack of appropriations has made this provision largely inoperative up to the present. Also, the law provides for state financial help in removing elms infected with the Dutch elm disease from private property. This provision too, has been largely inoperative due to lack of funds. The Commonwealth has appropriated only $65,000 for specific use in controlling this disease in 1952. Therefore, it would seem unlikely that any one town could look to the state for any substantial financial help. The Shade Tree Laboratories at the University of Massachusetts receive an independent appropriation from the state for carrying out the functions of research and laboratory service.

THE PROBLEM IN HAMILTON

The town of Hamilton is in the fortunate position of having escaped the ravages of the Dutch elm disease to date. It can reduce the chances that its elms will be severely stricken by taking a few relatively inexpensive precautions. Failure to do this may result in more costly operations in the future plus the loss of valuable elms.

The immediate need, as determined in the course of the survey, is to eliminate the possible breeding places for elm bark beetles. Since 20 out of the 24 elms in need of removal are on private property, the major problem is that of determining the most economical manner in which to prevent these private trees from becoming centers of infestation. Since removal is relatively costly, it is unlikely that either the owners or the town will be willing to accomplish this. Therefore, we recommend that the town adopt a policy of spraying all private elms which are suspected of being potential breeding places for the elm bark beetles. These trees should be sprayed every 2 months, from late April until September with a 12 per cent DDT emulsion spray. This should be continued each year until the trees are removed, or until the bark falls off. Since this treatment is a substitute for removal, it should be borne in mind that heavy dosages are necessary to kill bark beetles emerging from under the bark.

The 4 public elms in need of removal should be taken down and burned before the beetles become active in the spring. Any elm which has symptoms of the Dutch elm disease subsequent to leaf emergence should receive immediate spraying for the protection of other elms, pending confirmation by a laboratory.

Pruning constitutes another immediate need, both on public and private elms, but particularly the latter. One row of private elms located about 30 feet from Main Street was badly in need of such treatment. If pruning cannot be accomplished, reliance will have to be placed on DDT to prevent bark beetle breeding in dead branches.

As far as the woodland elms are concerned, we recommend that they be neglected unless the disease should become rampant in Hamilton. In such event, consideration should be given to spraying these trees by helicopter.

We suggest that the town consider the desirability of purchasing a power saw for its tree department. Other towns have found that a power saw will pay for itself in a short time through savings in man hours required to remove large trees. Low cost removal service could be offered to owners of private elms, thereby encouraging them to keep their property free of breeding places.

PROTECTION AGAINST LEAF-EATING INSECTS

In this report we have recommended that where only two sprayings are possible, they be timed for maximum effectiveness against the elm *bark* beetle, because we know that the Dutch elm disease is currently of much greater danger than the leaf-eating insects. Complete protection against the elm *leaf* beetle, and other chewing insects, may not be obtained if the recommended spraying program for the Dutch elm disease is followed. However, the town of Greenwich, Connecticut has found that the two sprays against the elm *bark* beetle are very effective in preventing damage from the elm *leaf* beetle.

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CONTROLLING THE DUTCH ELM DISEASE

1. Apply a dormant and foliage DDT spray to all elms of property value in Hamilton. If possible, apply at least 1 pound of actual DDT per tree for the dormant spray and ½ pound for the foliage spray to the priority public elms.
2. Remove all dead and dying public elms before April and burn them. If the dead and dying private elms cannot be removed, spray them well when the healthy trees are sprayed. Repeat this spraying every 2 months. Keep the removal work current.
3. Elms suspected of having Dutch elm disease subsequent to leaf emergence should be thoroughly sprayed without delay.
4. Prune the dead branches from otherwise healthy elms, beginning with the more valuable trees.
5. Assume the responsibility for scouting and collecting samples from trees suspected of having the Dutch elm disease. Samples should be tagged and sent to the Shade Tree Laboratories at the University of Massachusetts for analysis. Scouting should be done at least twice during the year—in May and again in August.
6. Conduct an educational campaign to encourage owners of private elms to have their healthy elms pruned of dead wood and their dead elms removed if the town cannot assume this responsibility.
7. Make it financially possible for the Tree Warden to attend meetings on the Dutch elm disease so that the town can profit from the experience of others and keep abreast of current developments.

8. Organize and maintain a citizens' Dutch elm disease committee to help the town officials carry out this program. Such a committee can be particularly useful in securing the cooperation of the owners of private elms.

SUGGESTED BUDGET FOR CONTROL
OF THE DUTCH ELM DISEASE IN 1952

Spraying	$1,000.00
Removal	500.00
Pruning	500.00
Total	$2,000.00

In suggesting the above budget, we have not made provisions for the removing, spraying, or pruning of private elms. We have, however, allowed for spraying dead and dying elms on private property.

John Edward Cox, Jr.

JOHN EDWARD COX, JR.

John Edward Cox, Jr., was born in Hamilton, February 18, 1896. He was educated in the Hamilton schools, and was practically a life-long resident of Hamilton.

On August 25, 1917 he enlisted in the Army Air Service, and was Honorably Discharged December 17, 1918. He always maintained an active interest in the local American Legion Post, the Boy Scouts, Community Service and other civic and social organizations of the Town.

He served the Town as a member of the Finance Committee, and in 1943 was appointed Water Superintendent, which position he held until 1948 when he was obliged to retire because of poor health.

About a year or so ago he moved to Oradell, New Jersey, where he passed away on December 23, 1951.

With malice toward none, friendly to all, he was held in high esteem by all who knew him.

Robert B. Walsh

ROBERT B. WALSH

Robert B. Walsh, for 33 years a devoted and beloved public servant of the town of Hamilton, died on September 19 of the past year at the age of 87. His death came as a heavy blow to his legion of friends in this area, and Hamilton is the poorer for his passing.

Mr. Walsh, or "Bob" as he was affectionately known, came to Hamilton from his native Boston shortly after receiving his law degree from Boston University. Almost immediately, and while associated with a Boston legal firm, he displayed an interest in the affairs of the town. He served as Hamilton moderator and as chairman of the local library trustees. But as Town Counsel he was most widely known, a capacity in which he served with great distinction for over 30 years, and from which the town reluctantly accepted his resignation in March of the past year.

Mr. Walsh was deeply interested in the welfare of Hamilton children, and his concern was reflected in his efforts to provide facilities for their play. Indeed, as originator of the splendid Patton Playground project, he has come to be known as "father of the Hamilton playground program." Chebacco Lake Park, too, was dedicated in his name, as the East School had previously been named for his late wife, Mrs. Adelaide Dodge Walsh.

As a young man, Mr. Walsh also served as representative of our 15th Essex District in the General Court, and was a member of Co. G, 15th Rgt., National Guard, during the first World War.

As a token of the high regard in which he was held by his fellow citizens, Mr. Walsh was honored with a testimonial dinner at the time of his resignation as Town Counsel. On that occasion he was presented with a scroll memorializing his achievements as attorney, good citizen, sterling public servant, and warm friend. In fitting tribute to one of the town's outstanding officials, this scroll now holds a place of honor in Hamilton Town Hall.

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

ESSEX, ss. *To the Constable of the Town of Hamilton*:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hamilton, qualified to vote in election and Town affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Monday, the third day of March, nineteen hundred and fifty-two (March 3, 1952), at seven-thirty o'clock in the evening (7:30 P. M.) then and there to act on the following articles, viz.

Article 1. To bring your ballots for:

Moderator for one year.
Town Clerk for one year.
Three Selectmen for one year.
Treasurer for one year.
Tax Collector for one year.
One Assessors for three years.
One Highway Surveyor for one year.
One Tree Warden for one year.
One member of the School Committee for three years.
One Library Trustee for three years.
One Park Commissioner for three years.
One Cemetery Commissioner for three years.
One Water Commissioner for three years.
One member of the Planning Board for five years.

The above named officers to be voted for on one ballot on Tuesday, the eleventh day of March, 1952 (March 11, 1952). The polls will be opened at 5:45 o'clock A. M. and will close at 8:00 o'clock P. M.

Article 2. To choose and appoint all other Town Officers in such manner as the Town may determine.

Article 3. To hear the reports of the Town Officers and of the Finance and Advisory Committee and all other committees and take any action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 4. To raise and appropriate money for Schools, Highways, and all other Town expenses and determine the manner of expending the same.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Chapter 90 Maintenance or take any action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Construction on Essex Street, or take any action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Overlay Reserve Account the sum of $4,500 for the Finance Committee Reserve Fund, or take any action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of $900 from the Cemetery Sale of Lots and Graves Fund to the Cemetery Account for the purpose of making improvements to the Town Cemetery, or take any action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to make changes and alterations in the Town Hall and in the arrangements of the rooms of the departments, boards and officers of the Town within and without the Town Hall building in such manner as the Selectmen may deem necessary or desirable in order to remedy present congested conditions and to protect valuable towns records, and to purchase and install a new vault and such other additional equipment and fixtures as the Selectmen may determine, and to raise and appropriate or to transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account a sum of money therefor, or to take any action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account a sum of money for the purchase of a new Cruiser-Ambulance for the Police Department, and provide that the present Cruiser-Ambulance may be turned in to apply toward the purchase price thereof, or take any action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to approve and authorize the floridation of the town water system, raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to repair, drain, grade and surface Forest Street, and raise and appropriate the sum of $2,500 therefor, or take any action thereon or relative thereto, as petitioned for by Irving L. Morse and others.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to acept Chapter 781 of the Acts and Resolves of 1951, being an act "relative to increasing the amounts of pensions and retirement allowances payable to certain former public employees," or take any action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to accept the re-location of a portion of Forest Street by the Selectmen as shown on a plan on file in the office of the Town Clerk, or take any action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public town way, Crescent Road, so called, as shown on a plan on file in the office of the Town Clerk, or take any action thereon or relative thereto, as petitioned for by George A. Harrigan and others.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to remove the temporary Honor Roll erected by vote of the Town under Article 12 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting held March 1, 1943, or take any action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 17. To hear the report of the Union Health Committee appointed under Article 20 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting held March 5, 1951, or take any action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to place the care and maintenance of the grounds surrounding the high school, known as the Dorothy Winthrop Memorial Lot, and the care and maintenance of the grounds surrounding the new elementary school, when constructed, in the custody of the Park Commissioners, or take any action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to change the name of Moynihan Road to Woodside Road, or take any action thereon or relative thereto, as petitioned for by Gerald W. Cleversey and others.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-Laws of the Town as heretofore adopted and amended by striking out all said By-Laws and inserting in place thereof the following as and for the By-Laws of the Town, to be effective forthwith upon approval of the Attorney General of the Commonwealth with such deletion as he shall deem necessary, or to take any other action thereon:—

BY LAWS
OF THE TOWN OF HAMILTON
CHAPTER I
Town Meetings

SECTION 1. The Annual Town Meeting shall be held on the first Monday of March in each year at 7:30 o'clock in the evening, at which time the transaction of Town business in pursuance of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting shall be transacted except the election of Town officers. If the business of the Annual Town Meeting is not completed on the evening of the first Monday of March the said Meeting may be adjourned to 7:30 o'clock of any evening or to as many evenings as the meeting votes, during the week of the first Monday of March as are necessary to complete the said business. The Election of Town officers shall be held on the first Tuesday following the second Monday of March. The polls for the election of said Town officers shall open at 8:00 A.M. and shall close at 8:00 P.M.

SECTION 2. Every town meeting, except as otherwise provided by law, shall be called in pursuance of a warrant, under the hands of the Selectmen, notice of which shall be given at least seven days before said meeting, by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Town Hall, and one at each of the Post Offices in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

SECTION 3. Two hundred legal voters shall constitute a quorum at all town meetings.

CHAPTER II
Rules of Procedure at Town Meetings

SECTION 1. All articles in the warrant shall be taken up in the order of their arrangement, unless otherwise decided by a two-thirds vote.

SECTION 2. In case of motions to amend, or to fill out blanks, the one expressing the largest sum or the longest time shall be put first, and an affirmative vote thereon shall be a negative vote on any smaller sum or shorter time.

SECTION 3. The report of a committee shall be deemed properly before a meeting if a request for its acceptance is included in an article of the warrant and a copy is published in the Annual Report or is filed with the Town Clerk fifteen days prior to the meeting. A vote to accept a final report shall discharge the committee but shall not be equivalent to a vote to carry out its recommendations. A vote on recommendations included in a committee report shall only be an order under an article to that effect in the warrant. A vote to accept a report of progress shall continue the committee under its original authority unless otherwise specified.

SECTION 4. If an aricle of the warrant has once been acted upon and disposed of, it shall not be again considered at that meeting except by a two-thirds vote.

SECTION 5. No money shall be appropriated from the Excess and Deficiency Fund at a Special Town Meeting except by a two-thirds vote of the voters present and voting.

SECTION 6. Only registered voters of the Town shall be admitted to and entitled to vote at any annual or special meeting, provided that upon prior request the Moderator may admit to the meeting persons who are not registered voters and in his discretion may permit them to speak on a subject. Any person so permitted to speak at a meeting shall announce his full name and address to the meeting.

SECTION 7. Motions at town meetings shall be made orally, but the Moderator may require any motion also to be submitted in writing. Unless otherwise directed thereby, the Moderator shall appoint all committees created by vote of the Town.

SECTION 8. The conduct of all town meetings not prescribed by law or by the foregoing rules, shall be determined by the rules of practice contained in Cushing's Manual, so far as they are adapted to town meetings.

CHAPTER III

Selectmen

SECTION 1. Except as otherwise provided by law and by these By Laws, the Selectmen shall have and may exercise all the powers of the Town and shall have general direction and management of its property and affairs. Unless otherwise provided by law, the Selectmen shall have power to acquire and dispose of personal property for the Town.

SECTION 2. The Selectmen shall determine that all elected boards and appointed committees are organized within a reasonable time and that notification thereof to the Town Clerk has been given. Copies of all contracts and other commitments of the funds of the Town shall be filed with the Selectmen except contracts required by law to be filed with the Town accountant under Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 57.

All Town vehicles. and such other town property as the Selectmen designate, shall be marked with the words "Town of Hamilton."

SECTION 3. The Selectmen are authorized and empowered to sell, and execute and deliver a deed or deeds therefor, from time to time as occasion therefor may arise, lands of low value, after first giving notice of the time and place of such sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient place in the Town fourteen (14) days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under tax title procedure as provided for under Chapter 60 of the General Laws and amendments thereto. The Selectmen or whom they may authorize to hold such public auction may reject any and all such bids which they deem inadequate.

CHAPTER IV
Collection of Taxes

The collector of taxes shall collect, under the title of Town Collector, all accounts due the Town including the collection of water acounts, excepting interest on investments or sinking or trust funds. If it shall seem advisable to the Town Collector that suit or suits should be instituted and prosecuted in the name of the Town, in connection with the collection of any of said accounts due to the Town, he shall so advise the Selectmen, who shall have authority as agents of the Town to institute and prosecute the same.

CHAPTER V
Finance Committee

A finance committee consisting of five members shall be appointed by the Moderator with reasonable promptness after the final adjournment of the Annual Town Meeting, to serve until the final adjournment of the next annual meeting and until their successors have been appointed. Vacancies shall be filled by the Moderator. No member of the finance committee shall be an officer of or a member of any board of the Town or any committee considering an appropriation or expenditure of money. When the warrant for a town meeting contains any article or articles under which an appropriation or expenditure of money, or the disposition of any property of the Town, may be made, the finance committee shall consider said articles after giving one or more public hearings thereon, and shall report in writing its recommendations to the said town meeting. The failure, for any reason, of the committee to make such report shall not affect the legality of any action taken at any meeting.

CHAPTER VI
Legal Affairs

SECTION 1. The Board of Selectmen shall have authority to prosecute, defend and compromise all litigation to which the Town is a party, and to employ special counsel to assist the town counsel whenever in their judgment necessity therefor arises.

The town counsel shall draft all bonds, deeds, leases, obligations, con-

veyances, and other legal instruments, and do every professional act which may be required of him, by vote of the Town or any board of Town officers. Also, when required by said boards or any committee of the Town, he shall furnish a written opinion on any question that may be submitted to him, and he shall at all times furnish legal advice to any officer of the Town who may require his opinion upon any subject concerning the duties incumbent upon such officer by virtue of his office.

He shall prosecute all suits ordered to be brought by the Town or Board of Selectmen, and shall appear at any court in the Commonwealth in defense of all actions or suits brought against the Town or its officers in their official capacity, and shall try and argue any and all causes in which the Town shall be a party, before any tribunal, whether in law or equity, in the Commonwealth, or before any board of referees or commission, and shall appear at any and all hearings on behalf of the Town whenever his services may be required.

SECTION 2. The Selectmen shall consider all claims made against the Town and may authorize the payment of any amount not exceeding five hundred (500) dollars in settlement of any such claim, and to effect such settlement, the Selectmen may authorize the necessary payment from the Town Treasury of any funds not otherwise appropriated.

SECTION 3. The Board of Selectmen shall annually appoint an attorney-at-law to act as town counsel, who shall be paid such salary as the Town votes.

CHAPTER VII

Town Contracts

SECTION 1. No officer or board of the Town shall make any contract on behalf of the Town in which such officer or any member of such board is directly or indirectly financially interested, except in competitive contracts.

SECTION 2. No town officer or board of Town officers having the power or authority to appoint any Town officer or agent shall appoint himself or any member of such board to any salaried office or position; but this shall not prevent any Town officer from being chairman or clerk of the board of which he may be a member.

CHAPTER VIII

Acceptance of Streets

No new street shall be accepted by the town until it has first been approved by the Planning Board under Chapter 41 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth, and in no event shall any street be accepted except upon compliance with Section 23 of Chapter 82 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth and such other laws as may be applicable to the acceptance of streets. No new street shall be accepted by the town unless adequate drainage shall have been provided, all the turf and loam shall have been removed and replaced with gravel to finish grade for the entire length and to a width of not less than 35 feet or such other width as may be

approved by the Planning Board, and all trees and stumps shall have been removed from the entire length and width within the area to be graveled except in cases where in the judgment of the Planning Board certain trees suitable for shade and landscaping would be allowed to remain. As a condition precedent to the acceptance of any street by the town an engineer's survey shall be made by the petitioners and a copy shall be filed with the Selectmen, accompanied by a petition by the owners of the land over which the proposed street is to be laid out. Such petition shall be accompanied by easements from such owners to the town for all purposes for which ways may be used and satisfactory releases to the town for any and all liabilities for damage on the part of the town resulting or growing out of the purchasing, acquiring or taking of land for such layout.

CHAPTER IX

Ways

SECTION 1. No person except officers of the Town in the lawful performance of their duties and those acting under their orders, shall obstruct any sidewalk or street or any part thereof ,or break or dig the ground of the same, without first obtaining a written license from the Selectmen therefor.

SECTION 2. No person shall throw, place or cause to be thrown or placed upon any street or sidewalk of the Town any dirt, ashes, stones or other object or obstruction or any rubbish or other noxious matter, except that garbage cans or other containers may be placed upon the sidewalk so as to obstruct the same for not more than one (1) hour or for not more than ten (10) minutes after being notified by a police officer or the Selectmen to move it.

SECTION 3. No person shall ride a bicycle or a horse on the sidewalk. No person shall coast on or across any sidewalk or street except as may be designated by the Selectmen.

SECTION 4. The Surveyor of Highways shall be entitled to remove or cause to be removed to a convenient public garage any vehicle interfering with removing or ploughing snow, and the cost of such removal and storage charges, if any, resulting therefrom shall be paid by the owner of the vehicle.

SECTION 5. Any person desiring to erect or repair or take down any building on land abutting any street or way which the Town is required to keep in repair, and who desires to make use of any portion of a sidewalk or street for the purpose, shall petition the Selectmen for authority. As a condition to granting such petition, Selectmen may require petitioner to execute a satisfactory written agreement to indemnify and save harmless the Town against and from all damages by reason of cost or expense on account of the existence of any obstruction or excavation and make such reasonable regulation with respect to guards and the like as the Selectmen may determine. If any obstruction or excavation is more than a temporary condition, the person petitioning shall place a good temporary walk around the obstruction or excavation, and at the comple-

tion of the work, shall restore the street or sidewalk to its former condition as determined by the Surveyor of Highways.

SECTION 6. No way which is open for public use but has not become a public way, shall be given a name unless the name is first approved by the Board of Selectmen.

CHAPTER X

Police Regulations

SECTION 1. No person shall distribute or display any posters, handbills, placards, pamphlets or other advertising matter or operate any sound truck or other noisy device or make any solicitation for the sale of goods in any public street or way or place of the Town or in any public building without first obtaining a permit therfor from the Selectmen.

SECTION 2. No billboard, sign or other advertising device except signs affixed to stores, signs offering land for sale or rent and signs of professional establishments, and no roadside stands except for the sale of products made or raised by the vendor, shall be erected or maintained on public or private property within view of a public way without obtaining a permit therefor from the Selectmen.

SECTION 3. No person shall be a collector of or a dealer in junk. old metals or second-hand articles, or a keeper of a shop for the purchase, sale or barter of junk, old metals or second-hand articles unless licensed therefor by the Selectmen.

SECTION 4. The Selectmen may issue appropriate regulations in accordance with law for the operation of taxi cabs and other vehicles for hire and for stands therefor within the Town. No person shall operate taxi cabs or other vehicles for hire or establish a stand therefor in violation of such regulation.

SECTION 5. No person shall fire or discharge any gun, fowling piece, pistol or other firearm within any street, public way, alley or square in the Town except with the written permission of the Selectmen, provided that this Section shall not apply to any firing in accordance with the law.

SECTION 6. No person shall loaf or loiter upon any public way or in any alley or square or on any property of the Town after having been requested by a police officer to move. Three or more persons shall not stand together or near each other in any such public place or in any private area left open between the curbing and a building facing thereon so as to obstruct free passage for pedestrians, and any person so standing shall move on at the request of the police officer.

CHAPTER XI

Street Numbering

SECTION 1. All principal buildings in the Town shall be numbered as provide in the following regulations:

SECTION 2. The numbering shall correspond with the numbering

on the street (or one of the streets, if more than one) on which the lot with the building thereon abuts.

SECTION 3. The numbering shall begin at the end of the street as may be determined by the Board of Selectmen.

SECTION 4. On all streets the numbers shall run in consecutive order alternating from one side to the other, the odd numbers being on the right-hand side of the street, the street running in the direction of increasing numbers.

SECTION 5. Each 40 feet of street frontage in residential type districts, each 10 feet of frontage in business type districts, and each 20 feet of frontage in camp type districts shall be given a number, which shall be the number belonging to the buildings included in or embracing the frontage.

SECTION 6. All measurements of frontage shall be made on the center line of the street; no allowances are to be made for entering or intersecting streets, parks, cemeteries or other areas.

SECTION 7. Where two or more residences or establishments have their principal entrances within the same 40 foot frontage, the number shall be determined by the Board of Selectmen.

SECTION 8. In the case of incompleted streets, numbers shall be assigned to the buildings until such time as the completion of the street will permit the assignment of permanent numbers conforming to these regulations.

SECTION 9. All principal buildings or establishments now existing or hereafter erected to which a number has been assigned shall have the number conspicuously placed in such manner that it will be visible from the street, using figures at least three inches in height.

Whenever the building stands back more than seventy-five (75) feet from the street line, the number shall be conspicuously placed at or near the street upon a post, or in some appropriate manner and location so as to be easily legible from the street.

SECTION 10. It shall be unlawful for any person to remove, alter, or deface any number assigned and displayed as aforesaid, or to retain an improper number, or to substitute and display any number other than the one designated by virtue of these regulations.

CHAPTER XII

Penalties for Violation

Violations of these By Laws shall be prosecuted by the Chief of Police of the Town on his own initiative or on the order of the Selectmen. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of these By Laws shall be subject to fine for each offense in such sum as may be authorized by law.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1953, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and

to renew any note or notes as may be given for a shorter period than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws and Amendments thereto.

Article 22. To see if the Town will authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which a Town Treasurer, when appointed Collector, may use agreeable to Chapter 41, Section 37, General Laws and Amendments thereto.

Article 23. To act on any other matter that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Town Hall, and one at each of the three Post Offices in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-ninth day of January, A. D. 1952.

LAWRENCE R. STONE
EDWARD A. DeWITT
EVERETT F. HALEY
Selectmen of Hamilton.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

In the following budget for the Town of Hamilton for 1952, the Finance Committee have attempted to keep the cost of all governmental activities at a minimum consistent with essential services.

It will be noted that the school department has a considerably larger budget than that of last year. This is caused mainly by an increase of $13,000 in the amount allocated to teachers' salaries. The Finance Committee, after consultation with the School Committee and comparing teachers' salaries in similar towns, have decided to recommend this increase. If the Town of Hamilton is to provide good education for its children, it must have good teachers. To have good teachers it must be able to pay teachers enough so that it can compete with other towns in securing their services. It is hoped that the present increase will serve this purpose. Money to hire three new teachers is also included.

The School Building program will cost the town $6,000 in interest this year, or less than $1.00 on the tax rate. Next year, there will be two interest payments and a $41,000 repayment of principal. This will amount to $53,000 or $7.80 on the tax rate, assuming that the assessed valuation of the Town stands at the present figure of approximately $6,750.00.

There are reimbursements from the State for current school purposes, which reduces the amount to be raised from local taxation. This is arrived at as follows:

1.	Total appropriation for support of schools, recommended by the Finance Committee		$123,407.57
2.	Estimate of School Aid & Reimbursement	$22,000.00	
3.	Estimate of other non tax receipts	3,500.00	
	Total		25,500.00
4.	Amount to be raised by local taxation		98,000.00

It should be remembered that State aid is not free. It is created by the money taken in taxes directly or indirectly from the people of Hamilton, as well as from the people of other communities.

ACTION ON SPECIAL ARTICLES

ARTICLE 5: *To Raise and Appropriate $1,000 for Chapter 90—Maintenance of Highways. Recommended*

ARTICLE 6: *To Raise and Appropriate $2,500 for Chapter 90—Construction on Essex Street. Recommended*

ARTICLE 9: *Rearrangement of the Town Hall. Recommended*

The present office space of the town clerk is unsatisfactory, being poorly placed and inadequate. The vault, in particular, has become far too small. The town is growing rapidly and more and more business can reasonably be expected to develop at the Town Hall. The Finance Committee believe that it is desirable to carry out this plan so that the government of the town will in the future be better able to serve the citizens of the town. $8,000.00

ARTICLE 10: *Purchase of Cruiser Ambulance. Recommended*

The present Police Cruiser is nearly worn out and needs to be replaced. The Finance Committee believe that a cruiser ambulance is an essential piece of equipment for the Police Department. $1,500.00

ARTICLE 11: *Fluoridation of the Town Water Supply. Recommended*

The adding of Fluorine to Public Water Supplies has been under observation and test for over five years. The study of the relationship of Fluorine in drinking water to dental health has been carried on for over 15 years. The optimum content of Fluorine in the water is from 1.0 to 1.5 parts per million. The Fluorine contents of Hamilton water is .08 parts per million. Experience has shown that if the Town of Hamilton raises the Fluorine content of its water from .08 parts per million to a little over 1.0 parts per million, it can confidently look forward to over 60% fewer dental cares in its children as yet unborn, and a 30% decrease for those presently under six years old.

There is no evidence that the 1.0 parts per million of the Fluoride naturally occurring in water is different in effect from the same concentration derived by dissolving a Fluoride compound in the water. Nor is there evidence that harmful effects will result from Fluoridation when the recommended Fluoride concentrations are maintained.

Standardized procedures for adding Fluorine have been developed through experience in a considerable number of towns and cities. As a result, Fluoridation can be undertaken safely by a community of any size which has a public water system.

The installation of the necessary equipment will cost $1,100. The cost per person per year thereafter should be ten cents.

ARTICLE 12: *Repair, Grade, and Surface Forest Street. Not Recommended*

The Finance Committee feel that the public will best be served by (1) electing the man best qualified to be the Surveyor of Highways and (2) by voting for his use the adequate budget recommended by the Finance

Committee. This budget for work on the roads in 1952 amounts to $24,188.00. Included in this is $4,500 for the care of gravel roads. The Finance Committee believe that the Highway Surveyor should not be restricted in his use of this fund or in deciding which roads should be repaired.

ARTICLE 13: *Provides for the Increase of Certain Pensions. Recommended*

This is in accordance with the law of the Commonwealth. Non-acceptance by the Town of Hamilton will deny the increase to any pensioners in the Town of Hamilton, while the Town of Hamilton will still have to pay its share of the increase to the County Retirement system.

ARTICLE 14: *Relocation of Forest Street. Recommended*

This will reduce the abruptness of the existing curve and will not cost the town anything.

ARTICLE 15: *Acceptance of Crescent Road as a Public Way. Recommended*

At present this road does not comply with the By Laws. The vote of acceptance should take effect only when the requirements of the By Laws have been met.

ARTICLE 16: *Removal of Temporary Honor Roll. Recommended*

ARTICLE 18: *Transferring, Care and Maintenance of School Grounds from the School Department to the Park Department. Recommended*

The Park Department has the equipment and the knowledge to care for outside grounds. Therefore, the Finance Committee believe that they will be able to do a better job more economically than can the janitor at the schools.

ARTICLE 20: *Acceptance of a New Code of By-Laws and Repeal of the Existing By-Laws of the Town. Recommended*

Item		*Appropriation* 1949	*Appropriation* 1950	*Appropriation* 1951	*Recommended* 1952
	GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
1	MODERATOR				
2	FINANCE COMMITTEE	$15.00	$15.00	$15.00	$15.00
3	SELECTMEN:				
	Salaries		1,150.00	1,150.00	1,150.00
4	Clerical	750.00			1,000.00
5	Expenses	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,800.00
6	ACCOUNTANT:				
	Salary	2,300.00	2,300.00	2,530.00	2,530.00
7	Expenses	200.00	200.00	200.00	250.00
8	TREASURER:				
	Salary	1,080.00	1,200.00	1,300.00	1,300.00
9	Expenses	580.00	575.00	575.00	575.00
10	TAX COLLECTOR:				
	Salary	1,365.00	1,365.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
11	Expenses	450.00	500.00	500.00	650.00
12	ASSESSORS:				
	Salaries	975.00	975.00	*2,115.00	2,150.00
13	Wages	1,000.00	1,000.00		
		* Assessors get $10 per day while working.			
14	Expenses	365.00	365.00	350.00	400.00
15	LAW:				
	Salary	700.00	700.00	700.00	800.00
16	Expenses				200.00

Item		*Appropriation* 1949	*Appropriation* 1950	*Appropriation* 1951	*Recommended* 1952
17	TOWN CLERK:				
	Salary	900.00	900.00	990.00	990.00
18	Expenses	200.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
19	ELECTION & REGISTRATION:				
	Expenses	1,300.00	1,800.00	1,800.00	2,000.00
20	TOWN HALL:				
	Salary	2,288.00	2,288.00	2,516.80	2,517.00
21	Expenses	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,600.00	2,000.00
22	Special	1,000.00			
23	Painting Town Hall				1,800.00
24	ESSEX COUNTY PENSION FUND:				
25	Contributions	1,633.00	1,751.20	2,180.64	2,425.00
26	Expenses			(33.20)	
27	TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	21,251.00	20,334.20	20,772.44	27,302.00
28	PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY				
29	POLICE:				
	Salary of Chief	2,860.00	2,860.00	3,146.00	3,146.00
30	Wages: Special Officers	3,600.00	5,300.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
31	Expenses	535.00	670.00	939.00	935.00
32	Uniforms	100.00	100.00		
33	Cruiser Maintenance	744.50	852.00	750.00	750.00
34	TOTAL POLICE	7,839.50	9,782.00	9,831.00	9,831.00
35	FIRE:				
	Salary—Clerk	50.00)	50.00)	1,810.00	1,810.00
36	Salary—Janitor	200.00)	200.00)		

Item		Appropriation 1949	Appropriation 1950	Appropriation 1951	Recommended 1952
37	Wages	1,560.00)	1,560.00)		
38	Equipment & Repairs	800.00)	800.00)	2,040.00	
39	Other Expenses	890.00)	890.00)		2,332.00
40	New Hose	600.00)	219.00)		~~1,912.00~~
41	Gas Masks	450.00)	)		
42	Painting Building		300.00		
43	TOTAL FIRE	4,550.00	4,019.00	3,850.00	3,722.00
44	OFFICE OF CIVILIAN DEFENSE			1,000.00	500.00
45	SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES				
	Salary	230.00	230.00	230.00	230.00
46	Expenses	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
47	TOTAL SEALER	330.00	330.00	330.00	330.00
48	MOTH—TOWN:				
	Salary of Supt.	1,338.00	1,338.00	1,471.80	1,472.00
49	Wages	900.00	900.00	900.00	900.00
50	Expenses	553.00	553.00	372.00	372.00
51	TOTAL MOTH—TOWN	2,791.00	2,791.00	2,743.80	2,744.00
52	MOTH—PRIVATE:				
	Salary—Supt.	475.00	475.00	522.50	522.00
53	Wages	378.00	378.00	378.00	378.00
54	Expenses	390.00	390.00	390.00	390.00
55	TOTAL MOTH—PRIVATE	1,243.00	1,243.00	1,290.50	1,290.00
56	TREE WARDEN:				
	Salary	845.00	845.00	929.50	930.00
57	Wages	864.00	864.00	1,322.00	1,322.00

Item		Appropriation 1949	Appropriation 1950	Appropriation 1951	Recommended 1952
58	Expenses	120.00	120.00	140.00	~~140.00~~ 500.00
59	Special—Planting Trees		300.00	200.00	150.00
60	Special—Pruning Elm		150.00		
61	TOTAL TREE WARDEN	1,829.00	2,279.00	2,591.50	2,542.00
62	FOREST FIRE WARDEN:				
	Salary	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
63	Expenses	40.00	56.00	60.00	65.00
64	TOTAL FOREST FIRE WARDEN	80.00	95.00	100.00	105.00
65	TOTAL PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY	18,662.50	20,539.00	21,736.80	21,064.00
66	HEALTH AND SANITATION				
67	BOARD OF HEALTH:				
	Salaries	120.00	120.00	120.00	120.00
68	Clerk	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00
69	Milk Inspector	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00
70	Rubbish Collection	3,250.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,800.00
71	Garbage Collections	2,200.00	2,200.00	2,400.00	2,600.00
72	Essex County Sanitarium		821.25	820.00	
73	Expenses	300.00	281.00	281.00	435.00
74	Rent of Dump		250.00	240.00	
75	TOTAL BOARD OF HEALTH	6,826.25	6,306.00	6,496.00	6,090.00
76	DENTAL CLINIC:				
	Salary of Nurse	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
77	Expenses	2,550.00	2,600.00	2,600.00	2,600.00

Item		*Appropriation* 1949	*Appropriation* 1950	*Appropriation* 1951	*Recommended* 1952
78	TOTAL DENTAL CLINIC	2,750.00	2,800.00	2,800.00	2,800.00
79	INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS:				
	Salary	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00
80	Expenses	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
81	TOTAL INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS	140.00	140.00	140.00	140.00
82	TOTAL HEALTH AND SANITATION	9,716.25	9,246.00	9,436.00	9,030.00
83	HIGHWAYS				
84	Salary of Supt. and Surveyor	3,080.00	3,120.00	3,432.00	3,120.00
85	Wages of Drivers and Helpers	10,272.00	10,272.00	10,272.00	11,243.00
86	Labor and Expenses	7,575.00	7,708.00	6,296.00	5,325.00
87	Chapter 90—Maintenance	(1,000.00)	(1,000.00)	(1,000.00)	(1,000.00)
88	Chapter 90—Construction	(4,000.00)	(4,000.00)	(2,000.00)	(2,500.00)
89	Snow Removal and Sanding	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
90	Street Lighting	8,000.00	8,250.00	8,250.00	8,500.00
91	Sidewalks	2,000.00	(2,000.00)		2,000.00
92	Gravel Roads			(4,500.00)	4,500.00
93	New Chevrolet half ton Pick-Up Truck—Special			1,346.00	
94	TOTAL HIGHWAYS	40,927.00	41,350.00	42,096.00	43,188.00
95	WELFARE:				
96	PUBLIC WELFARE:				
	Salaries	120.00	120.00	120.00	120.00
97	Wages	60.00			
98	Expenses	6,440.00	8,980.00	10,000.00	6,000.00
99	TOTAL PUBLIC WELFARE	6,620.00	9,100.00	10,120.00	6,120.00

Item		*Appropriation* 1949	*Appropriation* 1950	*Appropriation* 1951	*Recommended* 1952
100	DISABILITY ASSISTANCE				6,000.00
101	OLD AGE ASSISTANCE:				
	Assistance	17,000.00	24,000.00	26,000.00	30,000.00
102	Administration	1,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,000.00
103	Clerical	500.00			
104	TOTAL OLD AGE ASSISTANCE	18,500.00	26,500.00	28,500.00	38,000.00
105	AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN:				
	Aid	1,500.00	2,500.00	3,500.00	2,500.00
106	Administration	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
107	TOTAL AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN	1,525.00	2,525.00	3,525.00	2,525.00
108	TOTAL WELFARE	26,645.00	38,125.00	42,145.00	46,645.00
109	VETERANS' BENEFITS:				
110	Benefits	2,500.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
111	EDUCATION:				
112	SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:				
113	Supt. of Schools—Salary	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,350.00	5,850.00
114	Expense of Office	2,425.00	2,875.00	3,125.00	3,500.00
115	TOTAL SUPT.'S OFFICE	7,425.00	7,875.00	8,475.00	9,350.00
116	Teachers—Salaries	62,650.00	59,900.00	67,824.65	80,448.00
117	EXPENSES:				
	Textbooks and Supplies	4,606.75	4,956.75	5,594.75	6,192.00
118	Operation of Plant	11,770.00	11,530.00	11,200.00	12,054.00
119	Repairs and Upkeep	1,680.00	1,800.00	1,337.00	600.00
120	Transportation	8,640.00	9,024.00	9,435.00	9,699.00
121	Auxiliary Agencies	3,100.00	2,565.00	2,776.80	3,515.00

Item		*Appropriation* 1949	*Appropriation* 1950	*Appropriation* 1951	*Recommended* 1952
122	Athletic and Other Equipment	1,250.00	900.00		750.00
123	Outlay			2,425.20	800.00
124	TOTAL EXPENSES	31,046.75	31,375.75	32,768.80	33,611.00
125	TOTAL SALARIES and EXPENSES	101,121.75	99,150.75	109,068.45	123,409.00
126	SPECIALS FOR HIGH SCHOOL:				
	Vocational	500.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
127	Cafeteria	3,500.00	7,000.00		
128	Gymnasium Repairs	625.00	100.00		
129	Leakage Repairs and Painting	150.00	150.00		
130	Repairs to Drinking Fountain	275.00			
131	Vacuum System Repairs	100.00			
132	Refrigerator Unit	200.00			
133	Commercial Equipment	300.00	200.00		
134	Winthrop Park Upkeep	250.00	200.00		
135	Power Mower		140.00		
136	Oil Burner		1,000.00		
137	TOTAL SPECIALS—HIGH	5,900.00	9,790.00		
138	SPECIALS FOR LAMSON:				
	Cafeteria	3,500.00			
139	Repairs—Ceiling	285.00			
140	Vacuum System Repairs	125.00			
141	Repairs Desks and Furniture	110.00			
142	Repairs and Painting	700.00	500.00		
143	Repairs to Electrical Wiring		500.00		
144	TOTAL SPECIALS—LAMSON	4,720.00	1,000.00		
145	TOTAL SCHOOLS	111,741.75	109,940.75	110,068.45	124,409.00

Item		Appropriation 1949	Appropriation 1950	Appropriation 1951	Recommended 1952
146	LIBRARIES:				
	Salary—Main Library	600.00	600.00	600.00	700.00
147	Salary—Branch Library	400.00	400.00	400.00	500.00
148	Wages—Janitor	40.00	40.00	40.00	55.00
149	Expenses	1,835.00	1,902.00	2,146.25	2,191.00
150	Painting Branch Library		250.00		
151	TOTAL LIBRARIES	2,875.00	3,192.00	3,186.25	3,446.00
152	TOTAL EDUCATION	114,616.75	113,132.75	113,254.70	127,855.00
153	RECREATION				
154	PARK DEPARTMENT:				
	Power Mower		837.50		
155	Salary of Superintendent	2,496.00	2,496.00	2,745.60	2,746.00
156	Salary of Instructors	648.00	648.00	648.00	648.00
157	Labor—(High School)	690.00	690.00	600.00	900.00
158	Expenses	1,162.00	1,212.00	1,248.00	1,210.00
159	SPECIALS:				
	Resurfacing Tennis Court	300.00			
160	Tree Surgery	100.00			
161	Fertilizer Spreader	105.00			
162	TOTAL RECREATION	5,501.00	5,883.50	5,241.60	5,504.00
163	PUBLIC SERVICE				
164	WATER DEPARTMENT:				
	Salary of Superintendent	2,600.00	2,600.00	2,860.00	3,120.00
165	Salary of Assistant Superintendent				2,600.00
166	Salary of Clerk	700.00	700.00	700.00	700.00
167	Extra Labor	2,300.00	2,300.00	2,300.00	1,500.00

Item		*Appropriation* 1949	*Appropriation* 1950	*Appropriation* 1951	*Recommended* 1952
168	Expenses	7,332.00	10,000.00	8,500.00	8,500.00
169	Special—Essex Water		1,500.00	1,500.00	
170	Extension of Mains			(5,000.00)	5,000.00
171	TOTAL WATER DEPARTMENT	12,932.00	17,100.00	20,860.00	21,420.00
172	CEMETERY:				
	Salaries of Commissioners	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00
173	Salary of Superintendent	2,288.00	2,288.00	2,516.80	2,746.00
174	Salary of Clerk	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
175	Wages and Expenses	685.00	1,199.26	1,005.00	1,005.00
176	TOTAL CEMETERY	3,148.00	3,662.26	3,696.80	3,926.00
177	TOTAL PUBLIC SERVICE	16,080.00	20,762.26	24,556.80	25,346.00
178	MATURING DEBT				
179	Maturing Debt	21,000.00	21,000.00	20,000.00	18,000.00
180	Interest	3,171.25	2,900.00	2,500.00	8,500.00
181	TOTAL MATURING DEBT	24,171.25	23,900.00	22,500.00	26,500.00
182	UNCLASSIFIED				
183	Town Report	800.00	1,017.80	1,100.00	1,400 00
184	Town Clock	100.00	100.00	500.00	100.00
185	Memorial Day	550.00	650.00	650.00	650.00
186	American Legion	800.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
187	Insurance	2,140.00	1,700.00	2,700.00	3,300.00
188	Planning Board	500.00	.....	500.00	500.00
189	Finance Committee—Reserve Fund	3,000.00	3,000.00	(6,000.00)	(4,500.00)
190	TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED	7,890.00	7,467.80	11,450.00	11,450.00
191	TOTAL OF ABOVE ITEMS*		306,140.51	322,189.00	348,884.00
192	OTHER SPECIAL ARTICLES IN WARRANT		21,550.00	3,150.00	10,600.00
193	GRAND TOTAL		327,690.00	325,339.00	359,484.00
* (	)=Special Articles included in total above items		(7,000.00)	(18,500.00)	(8,000.00)

REPORT

of the

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

1951

REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Citizens of Hamilton:

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, of the General Laws, I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1951, showing the amount and source of all receipts, the amount of appropriations and expenditures therefrom, the purpose for which money was spent, town indebtedness and condition of trust funds.

Although the law provides that such statement shall be in accordance with classification prescribed by the director of accounts, I have further extended the classification of expenditures to make such information readily available to those who desire it. Any additional information will be gladly given to all residents of the town upon calling at the office.

I extend my sincere appreciation to the town officials and the citizens of Hamilton for their assistance and cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE,
Town Accountant.

RECEIPTS

Taxes

Previous Years:			
1950 Personal Property	$1,601 32		
1950 Real Estate	13,168 37		
1950 Motor Vehicle Excise	1,132 30		
		15,901 99	
Current Year:			
Poll Tax	1,602 00		
Personal Property	23,288 16		
Real Estate	206,653 71		
Motor Vehicle Excise	24,568 75		
		256,112 62	
			272,014 61

Licenses

Alcoholic Beverages:			
Package Goods Store (3)	450 00		
Restaurant—All Alcoholic (2)	700 00		
Club—All Alcoholic (2)	300 00		
One Day Beer and Ale	5 00		
Common Victular	6 00		
Auto Dealer, Class 1	2 00		
Auto Dealer, Class 2	2 00		
Lord's Day—Ice Cream	20 00		
Ice Cream Mfg.	10 00		
Oleomargerine	50		
Sale of Second-Hand Articles	2 00		
Junk Collector	50 00		
Pistol Permits	19 50		
Milk—Store	8 50		
Milk—Vehicle	5 50		
		1,581 00	
			1,581 00

Grants and Gifts

From State:			
Income Tax	23,984 40		
Corporation Tax	18,894 34		
Old Age Meals Tax	681 79		
Carried forward			$273,595 61

Brought forward			$273,595 61
State Peddlars License	8 00		
Franchise Tax	16 29		
High School Transportation	6,769 99		
Vocational Education	276 64		
School Aid, Chap. 70	11,540 47		
Loss of Taxes—			
State Owned Land	6,358 03		
Highway Construction, Chap. 90	1,670 28		
Highway Maintenance, Chap. 90	999 82		
		71,323 55	
From County:			
Dog License Refund	742 03		
Care and Confining Dogs	78 00		
Highway Construction, Chap 90	835 15		
		1,655 18	
			72,978 73
Special Assessments			
1950 Moth	7 50		
1951 Moth	822 75		
		830 25	
			830 25
Protection of Persons and Property			
Sealers Fees	61 95		
Court Fines	15 00		
		76 95	
			76 95
Health			
Dental Clinic Fees	431 70		
Reimbursement by Individuals	168 00		
		599 70	
			599 70
Public Welfare			
General Relief:			
From State	148 85		
Towns and Cities	571 60		
From Individuals	190 00		
		910 45	
Carried forward			$348,081 24

Brought forward			$348,081 24
Old Age Assistance:			
From State	16,574 35		
From Individuals	157 00		
From Cities and Towns	624 79		
		17,356 14	
Aid to Dependent Children:			
From State	1,215 28		
From Individuals	753 80		
		1,969 08	
Federal Grants:			
Old Age Assistance	21,324 00		
Old Age Administration	1,067 11		
Aid to Dep. Children—Assist.	1,691 57		
Aid to Dep. Children—Adm.	59 06		
		24,141 74	
			44,377 41
VETERANS' BENEFITS			
From State	1,022 45		
From Individuals	250 00		
		1,272 45	
			1,272 45
SCHOOLS			
Tuition and Transportation—State	762 62		
Tuition—Other Towns	640 00		
Manual Training	86 36		
Sale of Suplies	10 55		
Cafeteria—Sales	8,627 77		
Cafeteria—Federal Grant	2,592 77		
Athletic Receipts	559 62		
Rent of Gym (June)	62 17		
		13,341 86	
			13,341 86
PUBLIC LIBRARY			
Fines—Main Library	8 48		
Fines—Branch Library	8 72		
		17 20	
			17 20
Carried forward			$407,090 16

Brought forward			$407,090 16
	PARK DEPARTMENT		
Tennis Court Fees	20 00		
		20 00	
			20 00
	WATER DEPARTMENT		
Meter Rates	17,034 72		
Services	1,687 71		
		18,722 43	
			18,722 43
	CEMETERY		
Care of Lots and Graves	435 25		
Care of Endowed Lots	450 00		
Interments	488 00		
Sale of Lots and Graves	685 00		
		2,058 25	
			2,058 25
	INTEREST		
On 1950 Taxes	328 65		
On 1951 Taxes	40 99		
On 1950 Excise	7 61		
On 1951 Excise	15 79		
On Water Service	36 75		
		429 79	
			429 79
	REFUNDS		
Departmental	3 62		
Insurance Premium	79 60		
		83 22	
			83 22
	AGENCY AND TRUST		
Dog Licenses for County	929 00		
Withholding Tax	13,736 47		
Retirement Deductions	2,613 88		
Cemetery Perpetual Care	245 00		
		17,524 35	
			17,524 35
Carried forward			$445,928 20

Brought forward			$445,928 20
	MISCELLANEOUS		
Damage to Highways	34 64		
Gas Pipeline Easement	275 00		
Telephone Refunds	62 55		
Tax Title Interest and Costs	2 82		
Tax Title Redemption	20 81		
Tax Possessions Sale	29 06		
Temporary Loan—School Bonds	50,000 00		
Temporary Loan—Renewed	50,000 00		
Water Loan—Pump House Well	15,000 00		
Premium on Water Loan	31 73		
Cemetery Sale of Lots Fund	1,800 00		
		117,256 61	
			117,256 61
Total Receipts			$563,184 81

EXPENDITURES

Selectmen

Salaries and Wages:

Lawrence R. Stone	460 00		
Edward A. DeWitt	345 00		
Everett F. Haley	345 00		
Francis H. Whipple, Clerk	60 00		
Frank L. Tree, Dog Officer	150 00		
Clerical Work	254 75		
		1,614 75	

Expenses:

Printing, Postage, Supplies	99 21		
Association Dues, Expenses	56 75		
Law Books	64 00		
Maps	30 00		
Petitions, Costs, Chapter 90	28 50		
Traffic Signs	261 30		
Express	11 07		
Street Numbering	65 00		
Surveying	149 00		
Perambulations	152 00		
Settlement of Claims	56 00		
Recording Deed, Certificates	7 03		
Decorating Christmas Tree	25 00		
Confining Dogs	26 00		
		1,030 86	
			2,645 61

Accounting

Salary:

Francis H. Whipple, Accountant	2,530 00		
		2,530 00	

Expenses:

Supplies, Forms, Postage	165 03		
Adding Machine Service	14 00		
Association Dues, Expenses	20 50		
		199 53	
			2,729 53

Carried forward $5,375 14

Brought forward			$5,375 14

Treasury

Salary and Wages:			
Walfred B. Sellman, Treasurer	1,300 00		
Bertha L. Crowell, Typing	33 75		
		1,333 75	
Expenses:			
Surety Bond	139 20		
Adding Machine Exchange	138 00		
Typewriter Repairs	21 50		
Check-writer Repairs	18 75		
Burglary Insurance	35 00		
Postage, Supplies	81 92		
Association Dues	2 00		
Certification of Notes	4 00		
		440 57	
			1,774 32

Collector

Salary:			
Bertha L. Crowell, Collector	1,500 00		
		1,500 00	
Expenses:			
Printing, Postage, Supplies	290 11		
Surety Bond	156 80		
Deputy Collector's Bond	5 00		
Burglary Insurance	35 00		
Deputy Collector's Services	9 75		
Association Dues	2 00		
		498 66	
			1,998 66

Assessors

Salaries and Wages:			
Jesse S. Mann	612 82		
Robert H. Chittick	512 82		
Elmo O. Adams	687 82		
Bertha L. Crowell, Clerical	213 05		
		2,026 51	
Carried forward			$9,148 12

Brought forward			$9,148 12
Expenses:			
Abstracts	142 47		
Transportation	115 00		
Postage, Forms, Supplies	69 25		
Association Dues, Expenses	21 50		
		348 22	
			2,374 73
FINANCE COMMITTEE			
Association Dues	10 00		
		10 00	
			10 00
LAW			
Salary of Town Counsel:			
Robert B. Walsh	175 00		
Standish Bradford	525 00		
		700 00	
			700 00
TOWN CLERK			
Salary:			
Francis H. Whipple	990 00		
		990 00	
Expenses:			
Supplies and Postage	138 50		
Abstracts and Recordings	31 00		
Association Dues, Expenses	24 75		
Binding Records	36 50		
Surety Bond	5 00		
Typewriter Service	11 00		
		246 75	
Equipment:			
Filing Cabinets	117 92		
		117 92	
			1,354 67
ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS			
Salaries—Registrars of Voters:			
Frank W. Buzzell	60 00		
Jessie W. B. Cunningham	60 00		
Lawrence Lamson	60 00		
Francis H. Whipple	60 00		
		240 00	
Carried forward			$13,587 52

Brought forward			$13,587 52
Expenses:			
Annual Listing	159 00		
Election Officers	381 00		
Printing and Supplies	322 27		
Filing Cabinet	115 60		
Food	119 62		
Clerical Work	291 00		
Stenographic Services	50 00		
Labor	30 05		
		1,468 54	
			1,708 54
Planning Board			
Association Dues	12 50		
Filing Cabinet	148 05		
Printing, Postage	16 78		
		177 33	
			177 33
Town Hall			
Salary:			
Lester F. Stanley, Janitor	2,516 80		
		2,516 80	
Expenses:			
Coal	583 50		
Electric Current	276 51		
Water Rates	21 50		
Maintenance of Building	176 74		
Stoker Repairs	163 75		
Maintenance of Grounds	50 33		
Gas (Auxiliary Lighting)	7 00		
Telephone	214 33		
Janitor's Supplies	92 84		
		1,586 50	
Special:			
Roof Guard	80 35		
		80 35	
			4,183 65
Carried forward			$19,657 04

Brought forward			$19,657 04
	POLICE		
Salary and Wages:			
Edward Frederick, Chief	3,146 00		
Charles F. Poole	1,312 00		
Henry C. Jackson, Jr.	1,176 00		
Hugh C. Wentworth	1,003 00		
John S. Sargent	612 00		
Lester D. Charles	525 00		
William J. Bouchard	208 00		
Other Officers	109 00		
		8,091 00	
Expenses:			
Rent	360 00		
Telephone	214 17		
Heating Oil	80 75		
Electric Current	42 90		
Equipment and Supplies	87 08		
Uniforms	108 68		
Matron Services	10 20		
		903 78	
Maintenance of Cruiser:			
Gas, Oil, etc.	499 10		
Repairs and Upkeep	342 00		
Insurance	80 50		
		871 60	
			9,866 38
	FIRE		
Salaries and Wages:			
A. Merrill Cummings Care of Equipment	200 00		
Winslow B. Dodge, Janitor	200 00		
Rudolph H. Haraden, Clerk	50 00		
Call Firemen	1,168 50		
		1,618 50	
Expenses:			
Coal	228 85		
Equipment and Supplies	874 75		
Maintenance of Trucks	32 62		
New Hose	686 00		
Carried forward			$29,523 42

Brought forward			$29,523 42
Truck Insurance	227 70		
Telephone	188 78		
Electric Current	53 52		
Domestic Gas	7 00		
Gas, Oil for Trucks	44 67		
Water Rates	17 00		
Upkeep of Building	8 00		
Printing	8 50		
		2,377 39	
			3,995 89

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Salary:			
Erving O. Maxwell, Sealer	230 00		
		230 00	
Expenses:			
Transportation	81 25		
Supplies	15 55		
		96 80	
			326 80

Moth

Salary and Wages:			
Rudolph H. Haraden, Supt.	1,471 80		
Winslow B. Dodge	832 00		
Other Wages	5 75		
		2,309 55	
Expenses:			
Insectides	154 42		
Truck Insurance	44 20		
Liability Insurance	14 00		
Gas, Oil, Truck Maintenance	125 76		
Telephone	25 10		
Moth Superintendent Meeting	7 00		
		370 48	
			2,680 03
Carried forward			$36,526 14

Brought forward			$36,526 14

MOTH — PRIVATE PROPERTY

Salary and Wages:			
Rudolph H. Haraden, Supt.	522 50		
Winslow B. Dodge	320 00		
		842 50	
Expenses:			
Insectides	390 00		
		390 00	
			1,232 50

TREE WARDEN

Salary and Wages:			
Rudolph H. Haraden, Warden	929 50		
Winslow B. Dodge	816 00		
George Chamberlain	144 00		
Victor Surpitski	54 00		
Other Wages	68 00		
		2,011 50	
Expenses:			
Gas, Oil, Truck Maintenance	63 39		
Tools and Supplies	50 50		
Telephone	11 20		
Sharpening Tools	14 05		
		139 14	
Planting Trees:			
Winslow Dodge, Labor	40 00		
Purchase of Trees	45 00		
		85 00	
			2,235 64

CIVIL DEFENSE

Clerical Work	500 00		
Auxiliary Police Supplies	47 20		
Office Supplies, Postage	63 00		
		610 20	
			610 20
Carried forward			$40,604 48

Brought forward			$40,604 48

Forest Warden

Salary:			
Fred Berry, Warden	40 00		
		40 00	
Expenses:			
Telephone	57 43		
		57 43	
			97 43

Health

Salaries and Wages:			
Everett F. Haley	60 00		
Edward A. DeWitt	30 00		
Lawrence R. Stone	30 00		
Francis H. Whipple, Clerk	60 00		
Ernest M. Barker, Milk Inspector	75 00		
		255 00	
Expenses:			
Office Supplies	3 95		
Signs	4 29		
Abating Nuisance	5 00		
Immunization	83 63		
Patients at Essex Sanatorium	226 50		
		323 37	
Rubbish Collection:			
Wages:			
Herbert Harraden	467 14		
Henry Tobyne	334 38		
Walter Cheever	393 00		
Edwin Sanders	161 16		
Harold Morgan	269 00		
Lewis Pierce	45 36		
Frank Manthorn	43 84		
Thomas Jones	34 00		
Ralph Keith	70 00		
Other Wages	36 44		
		1,854 32	
Carried forward		2432 69	$40,701 91

255
323
140
718

Brought forward			$40,701 91
Expenses:			
Gas, Oil, Truck Maintenance	369 12		
Truck Insurance	88 02		
First Aid Supplies	3 25		
Bulldozer	185 00		
		645 39	
Rent of Dump	240 00		
		240 00	
Garbage Collection:			
Amos W. A. Fuller	2,400 00		
		2,400 00	
			5,718 08
Dental Clinic			
Dr. John King, Dentist	2,538 00		
Florence Stobbart, Nurse	200 00		
Insurance	25 30		
		2,763 30	
			2,763 30
Maintenance of Essex Sanatorium			
County Treasurer	5,415 60		
		5,415 60	
			5,415 60
Animal Inspector			
Ernest M. Barker, Inspector	90 00		
Transportation	50 00		
		140 00	
			140 00
			14,03698
Highways			
Salary and Wages:			
Leland D. Thompson, Surveyor	3,432 00		
Lewis K. Pierce	2,043 72		
Robert A. Tucker	1,730 16		
Frank E. Manthorn	1,595 28		
Frank C. Back	1,587 12		
Herbert E. Harraden	1,237 26		
Henry Tobyne	973 08		
Edwin Sanders	217 26		
Other Wages	750 68		
		13,566 56	
Carried forward			$54,738 89

Brought forward			$54,738 89
Expenses:			
Maintenance of Trucks	592 13		
Gas, Oil, etc. for Trucks	645 29		
Truck Insurance	203 65		
Tools, Supplies, Equipment	488 62		
Sand, Gravel, Stone	628 79		
Road Oil	1,149 39		
Patching Material	503 21		
Brick, Blocks, Cement	230 64		
Pipe	200 04		
Lumber	44 46		
Surveying	143 00		
Repairing Loading Machine	211 45		
Truck Hire	72 00		
Shovel Hire	52 00		
Bulldozer Hire	239 00		
Heating Oil	40 60		
Telephone	48 00		
		5,492 27	
			19,058 83
Chapter 90 Maintenance			
Wages:			
Frank E. Manthorn	40 80		
Frank C. Back	40 80		
Herbert E. Harraden	24 48		
Henry Tobyne	24 48		
Other Wages	54 80		
		185 36	
Expenses:			
Patching Material	208 25		
Road Oil	555 21		
Stone	245 28		
Shovel Hire	137 60		
Truck Hire	61 00		
Roller Hire	80 00		
Paint	26 77		
		1,314 11	
			1,499 47
Chapter 90 Construction			
Essex Street, 1950 Account:			
O. Menici & Son	2,835 32		
		2,835 32	
			2,835 32
Carried forward			$78,132 51

Brought forward			$78,132 51

GRAVEL AND SECONDARY ROADS

Wages:			
Lewis K. Pierce	151 20		
Robert A. Tucker	129 60		
Frank E. Manthorn	122 40		
Frank C. Back	122 40		
Herbert E. Harraden	85 68		
Henry Tobyne	106 08		
Other Wages	97 60		
		814 96	
Expenses:			
Shovel Hire	604 00		
Bulldozer Hire	555 00		
Truck Hire	97 50		
Roller Hire	80 00		
Grader Hire	286 25		
Pipe	520 64		
Sand, Cement, Supplies	43 90		
Catch Basin Frames—Grates	630 00		
Brick, Blocks	150 24		
Road Oil	223 96		
Stone	128 39		
Surveying	234 00		
		3,553 88	
			4,368 84

SIDEWALKS

Balance of 1950 Appropriation

Wages:			
Lewis K. Pierce	50 40		
Robert A. Tucker	86 40		
Frank E. Manthorn	40 80		
Frank C. Back	81 60		
Herbert E. Harraden	48 96		
Henry Tobyne	48 96		
		357 12	
Expenses:			
Hot Top Material	381 75		
Grass Seed	18 49		
		400 24	
			757 36
Carried forward			$83,258 71

Brought forward			$83,258 71
Truck Exchange			
Hamilton and Wenham Garage	1,331 00		
		1,331 00	
			1,331 00
Snow Removal and Sanding			
Wages:			
Lewis K. Pierce	420 84		
Robert A. Tucker	369 36		
Frank E. Manthorn	351 90		
Frank C. Back	285 60		
Herbert E. Harraden	299 88		
Edwin Sanders	267 24		
Archie Moore	128 00		
Other Wages	726 39		
		2,849 21	
Expenses:			
Sand and Salt	644 45		
Equipment and Repairs	532 63		
Gas, Oil etc. for Trucks	251 65		
Truck Maintenance, Repairs	197 82		
Truck and Plow Hire	1,125 25		
Loader Hire	133 50		
Supplies	60 31		
		2,945 61	
			5,794 82
Street Lighting			
Beverly Gas & Electric Co.	8,165 36		
		8,165 36	
			8,165 36
Public Welfare			
Salaries and Wages:			
Edward A. DeWitt	60 00		
Lawrence R. Stone	30 00		
Everett F. Haley	30 00		
		120 00	
Carried forward			$98,549 89

Brought forward			$98,549 89
Expenses:			
Cash Grants	3,257 50		
Nursing Home Care	1,941 68		
Medical Care	381 02		
Hospital Care	300 00		
Coal and Oil	170 60		
Rent	300 00		
Burial Expenses	105 00		
Other Town and Cities	654 86		
Association Dues and Expense	39 40		
Aid by State	25 67		
Commodity Service Charge	51 30		
Commodity Distribution	22 88		
Express	18 12		
Office Supplies	81 75		
		7,349 78	
Disability Assistance:			
Cash Grants	122 25		
Hospital Expenses	600 00		
Medical Care	8 50		
		730 75	
			8,200 53
Old Age Assistance			
Town Funds:			
Cash Grants to Recipients	25,622 67		
Payments — Behalf of Recipients	135 44		
Other Towns and Cities	310 76		
		26,068 87	
Federal Funds:			
Cash Grants to Recipients	17,483 63		
Towns and Cities	647 42		
		18,131 05	
			44,199 92
Old Age Administration			
Town Funds:			
Francis H. Whipple, Agent	697 62		
Robert H. Kirby, Clerical	719 10		
Transportation	92 08		
Office Supplies	92 66		
		1,601 46	
Carried forward			$150,950 34

Brought forward			$150,950 34
Federal Funds:			
Francis H. Whipple, Agent	453 00		
		453 00	
			2,054 46

Aid to Dependent Children

Town Funds:			
Cash Grants to Recipients	3,419 30		
		3,419 30	
Federal Funds:			
Cash Grants to Recipients	785 68		
Payments, Behalf of Recipients	39 15		
		824 83	
			4,244 13

Aid to Dependent Children — Administration

Federal Funds:			
Office Supplies	64 95		
		64 95	
			64 95

Veterans' Benefits

Cash Grants	1,245 00		
Medical Care	1,247 80		
Fuel	24 45		
Food	17 00		
Administration Expenses	338 37		
War Allowance, Cash Grants	155 00		
		3,027 62	
			3,027 62

SCHOOLS

General Administration

Milton C. Blanchard, Supt.	5,350 00		
Elizabeth Edmondson, Sec., Clerk	2,650 00		
Truant Officer	100 00		
School Census	100 00		
Association Dues	18 00		
Carried forward			$160,341 50

Brought forward			$160,341 50
Convention Expenses	12 95		
Transportation	137 02		
Office Supplies	59 64		
Express	1 82		
Telephone	323 69		
		8,753 12	
TEACHERS' SALARIES			
Edith Anderson	2,883 36		
Wilbur Armstrong	3,750 00		
Ruth Austen	2,983 36		
Margaret Batchelder	2,883 36		
Edwina Beilman	530 00		
Millicent Boswell	3,283 36		
Bette Chittick	2,850 00		
Ellen Duffy	2,883 36		
Harriet Erskine	2,650 00		
Doris Foster	2,650 00		
Marshall Gero	3,150 00		
Ruth Harris	2,383 36		
Jeannette Houle	2,383 32		
Luther Johnson	850 00		
Marion Joseph	3,083 28		
Carolyn Lander	2,178 36		
Mary Lucey	2,550 00		
Carl Martini	3,383 28		
Priscilla McKay	2,763 36		
Wilton Moyer	3,350 00		
Walter Perkins	933 32		
Hazel Ramer	3,083 28		
Evelyn Rankin	2,650 00		
Charles Sakey	1,833 28		
Maude Thomas	578 00		
Libby Volk	2,883 32		
Substitutes and Others	717 57		
Writing Supervision	450 00		
		66,550 53	
JANITORS' SALARIES			
Bernard Cullen	2,600 00		
Hovey Humphrey	2,550 00		
Substitutes	97 07		
		5,247 07	
Carried forward			$160,341 50

Brought forward			$160,341 50

Operation of Plant

High

Coal	1,040 51	
Electric Current	819 17	
Domestic Gas	150 00	
Water Rates	59 60	
Janitor Supplies	549 82	
		2,619 10

Elementary

Coal	1,413 28	
Electric Current	419 09	
Domestic Gas	23 59	
Water Rates	43 70	
Janitor Supplies	280 71	
		2,180 37

Textbooks and Supplies

Books—High	1,103 11	
Supplies—High	1,595 92	
Books—Elementary	833 41	
Supplies Elementary	803 76	
Shop Supplies	523 63	
Films	78 04	
Music Supplies	130 26	
Domestic Science	144 22	
Testing	80 16	
School Journal	6 75	
		5,299 26

Maintenance and Repairs

High	899 67	
Elementary	180 40	
		1,080 07

Equipment

High	159 50	
Athletic	795 13	
Cafeteria	268 00	
Other Equipment	1,076 13	
		2,298 76

Carried forward	$160,341 50

Brought forward			$160,341 50
Special Repairs — *High*			
Plumbing and Heating	160 42		
Painting and Carpentry	578 33		
		738 75	
School Health			
Dr. Daniel Rogers	400 00		
Florence Stobbart, Nurse	1,180 00		
Athletic Physician	10 00		
Medical Supplies	62 08		
		1,652 08	
Transportation			
Pupils, School Sessions	9,316 00		
Athletic and Educational	331 39		
Trade School	43 01		
		9,690 40	
Miscellaneous			
Trade School Tuition	150 00		
Graduation	51 43		
Library	152 49		
		353 92	
			106,463 43
Vocational			
City of Beverly	790 75		
City of Lynn	16 20		
County of Essex	3 14		
Transportation	16 00		
		826 09	
			826 09
Cafeteria			
Salaries and Wages:			
Margaret Back	1,105 00		
Loretta Tremblay	1,105 00		
Marybelle Dolliver	49 50		
Mary Taylor	18 00		
		2,277 50	
Carried forward			$267,631 02

Brought forward			$267,631 02
Expenses:			
Groceries and Provisions	8,283 95		
Commodity Service Charge	160 45		
Express	63 00		
		8,507 40	
			10,784 90
Athletics			
Officials at Games	235 00		
Police at Games	22 00		
Equipment and Supplies	84 55		
Transportation	20 00		
Admission Tax	71 52		
Boston Garden Expenses	40 10		
Insurance	30 00		
Other Expenses	8 00		
		511 17	
			511 17
Construction — New Elementary and Additions to High School			
Anderson-Nichols & Co., Architects	24,192 06		
Advertising	356 37		
		24,548 43	
			24,548 43
Reconstruction and Repairs of High School			
Anderson-Nichols & Co., Architects	4,640 20		
Advertising	191 70		
		4,831 90	
			4,831 90
Public Library			
Salaries of Librarians:			
Lydia L. Haraden	600 00		
Jennie S. Perley	400 00		
		1,000 00	
Expenses:			
Books and Periodicals	1,215 02		
Rent of Branch Library	600 00		
Office Supplies	64 25		
Carried forward			$308,307 42

Brought forward			$308,307 42
Janitor Services	40 00		
Wood	4 00		
Electric Current	22 71		
Repairs	16 10		
Book Shelves	44 62		
Repairing Clock	35 00		
Window Shades	62 00		
Trips to Boston	16 00		
Transporting Books	5 00		
Association Dues	5 00		
		2,130 50	
			3,130 50

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Salaries and Wages:			
James Goodrich, Supt.	2,745 60		
Rena Hopkins, Clerk	50 00		
Frances Buckley, Instructor	360 00		
Freda Colwell, Instructor	135 00		
Gelean Campbell	405 00		
Richard Burke	95 00		
Roger Washburn	166 00		
Other Wages	82 53		
		4,039 13	
Expenses:			
Water Rates	155 50		
Fertilizer	282 11		
Playground Supplies, Equipment	99 40		
Insurance	45 97		
Automobile Allowance	85 14		
Gasoline and Oil	33 10		
Tools and Supplies	71 39		
Loam, Clay, Gravel	64 00		
Bus Transportation	125 00		
Harrowing	14 00		
Truck Hire	11 00		
Lumber	33 61		
Repairs	31 00		
Coal and Fuel	26 15		
Sharpening Tools	26 50		
Signs	7 00		
Snow Plow	8 00		
Electric Current	28 36		
		1,147 23	
			5,186 36
Carried forward			$316,624 28

Brought forward			$316,624 28
Erecting Road Markers			
Edward W. MacGregor, Contract	50 00		
		50 00	
			50 00
Legion Headquarters			
Electric Current	218 58		
Heating Oil	740 75		
Oil Burner Service	6 75		
Water Rates	17 00		
Building Repairs	15 98		
		999 06	
			999 06
Memorial Day			
Lees' Band	215 00		
Lotito's Band	200 00		
Flowers	109 00		
Flags	34 50		
Printing, Typing, Postage	28 75		
Refreshments	11 96		
		599 21	
			599 21
Departmental Survey Committee			
Adams, Howard & Greeley	1,400 00		
		1,400 00	
			1,400 00
School Building Committee			
Printing, Postage, Tel., Supplies	212 44		
Bulldozer Hire	96 00		
Architect Fees	4,000 00		
Delivering Pamphlets	40 72		
		4,349 16	
			4,349 16
Town Reports			
Newcomb & Gauss, Printing	1,192 27		
Delivering	52 00		
		1,244 27	
			1,244 27
Carried forward			$325,265 98

Brought forward			$325,265 98
Town Clock			
Care of Clock	100 00		
Painting	352 99		
Cleaning, Adjusting	45 00		
		497 99	
			497 99
Insurance			
Workmens' Compensation	1,392 29		
Fire	1,436 28		
Boiler	73 58		
		2.902 15	
			2,902 15
Retirement Fund			
Essex County Retirement Board	2,180 64		
		2,180 64	
			2,180 64
Acquiring Land for School Purposes			
John R. Mann, Land	6,500 00		
Rakeman, Sawyer & Brewster, Legal Work	300 00		
Recording Fees, Expenses	25 62		
Bound Stones	15 00		
		6,840 62	
			6,840 62
Acquiring Land for Water Purposes			
Wallace H. Knowlton, Land	300 00		
		300 00	
			300 00
Water Department			
Salaries and Wages:			
Raymond A. Whipple, Supt.	2,860 00		
Alexina D. Morrow, Clerk	700 00		
Clarence Green	1,032 00		
Archie Moore	887 00		
Gelean Campbell	116 00		
Robert Kirby	96 00		
Cleaves Hutchinson	76 00		
Walter Cheever	59 00		
Walter Perkins	18 00		
		5,844 00	
Carried forward			$337,987 38

Brought forward			$337,987 38
Expenses:			
Electric Current	1,687 45		
Pipe and Fittings	3,861 87		
Meters	1,443 54		
Tools and Equipment	280 64		
Heating Oil	142 09		
Road Oil	56 70		
Supplies	45 99		
Maintenance of Truck	295 67		
Truck Insurance	55 30		
Office Supplies and Expenses	142 90		
Telephone	138 25		
Maintenance and Repairs	47 93		
Tapping Mains	25 00		
Gas, Oil, etc. for Truck	161 40		
Oil Burner Repairs	26 50		
Express and Freight	45 45		
Liability Insurance	25 00		
		8,481 68	
			14,325 68
EXTENSION OF MAINS			
Wages:			
Archie Moore	164 00		
Clarence Green	24 00		
		188 00	
Expenses:			
Gordon Thompson, Laying Mains	823 65		
Engineering	117 82		
Pipe and Fittings	3,608 95		
Express	18 54		
		4,568 96	
			4,756 96
CONSTRUCTING PUMPING STATION AND WELL			
Pipe and Fittings	339 17		
Engineering	718 00		
D. L. Maher Co.—Well, Pump	3,506 25		
Cashman Bros. Pump House	2,422 50		
Gordon Thompson, Laying Pipe	755 95		
Tapping Main	25 00		
Watchman	10 00		
Express	6 18		
		7,783 05	
			7,783 05
Carried forward			$364,853 07

Brought forward			$364,853 07

Wells and Reservoir
(Balance of 1947 Bond Issue)

Labor:			
Walter Cheever	40 00		
Clarence Green	40 00		
Archie Moore	38 00		
		118 00	
Repairing Wells:			
D. L. Maher Co.	675 00		
		675 00	
			793 00

Purchase of Essex Water

Town of Essex	979 30		
		979 30	
			979 30

Cemetery

Salaries and Wages:			
John T. Walke, Commissioner	125 00		
Raymond A. Whipple, Commissioner	25 00		
Lawrence C. Foster, Commissioner	25 00		
Luther Caverly, Supt.	1,161 60		
Philip Plummer, Supt.	1,210 00		
Archie Moore	208 00		
Joseph Sabean	299 00		
Other Wages	172 50		
		3,226 10	
Expenses:			
Loam, Seed, Fertilizer	173 46		
Tools and Supplies	151 33		
Frost Hammer	249 00		
Gas, Oil, Truck Maintenance	152 60		
Flowers	50 00		
Telephone	53 32		
Office Supplies	43 20		
Water Rates	15 00		
		887 91	
			4,114 01
Carried forward			$370,739 38

Brought forward			$370,739 38
Special Improvements			
Labor:			
Archie Moore	312 00		
Clarence Green	116 00		
Gelean Campbell	40 00		
		468 00	
Expenses:			
Water Pipe and Fittings	1,109 70		
Removing and Trimming Trees	219 63		
		1,329 33	
			1,797 33
Interest			
High School Bonds	87 50		
Water Bonds, 39 Installation	468 75		
Water Bonds, '47 Reservoir & Wells	300 00		
Water Bonds '47, Laying Mains	1,425 00		
Temporary Loan, School Issue	155 56		
		2,436 81	
			2,436 81
Maturing Debt			
High School Bonds	5,000 00		
Water Bonds, '39 Installation	5,000 00		
Water Bonds, '47 Reservoir & Wells	2,000 00		
Water Bonds, '47 Laying Mains	8,000 00		
		20,000 00	
			20,000 00
Temporary Loan			
School Serial Issue	50,000 00		
		50,000 00	
			50,000 00
Agency			
Withholding Tax	13,736 47		
Retirement Deductions	2,613 88		
Dog Licenses	929 00		
		17,279 35	
			17,279 35
Carried forward			$462,252 87

Brought forward			$462,252 87
Trust			
Cemetery Endowments	245 00		
Cemetery Sale of Lots & Graves	1,595 00		
		1,840 00	
			1,840 00
Miscellaneous			
County Tax	17,552 88		
State Audit	293 20		
State Parks	501 59		
Telephone Refunds	21 88		
Preparation—Issuing Water Bonds	97 50		
		18,467 05	
			18,467 05
Refunds			
Excise Tax	938 35		
Real and Personal Tax	728 75		
Poll Tax	4 00		
Aid to Dependent Child., Recovery	6 00		
Interest	1 63		
Water Rates	7 70		
Water Services	9 19		
		1,695 62	
			1,695 62
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS, 1951			$484,255 54

Transfers

By Annual Town Meeting

From	*To*	
Overlay Reserve	Reserve Account	$6,000 00
Surplus War Bonus Funds	Maturing Debt	965 37
Cemetery Sale of Lots Fund	Cemetery Improvements	1,800 00
Excise and Deficiency	Reconstruction High School	60,000 00
" "	New Elementary and Additions to High School	2,000 00
" "	Land for School Purposes	6,000 00
" "	Pump House and Well	2,250 00
" "	Land for Water Purposes	750 00

By Special Town Meeting of November 19, 1951

From	*To*	
Excess and Deficiency	Land for Water Purposes	$300 00

By Finance Committee

From	*To*	
Reserve Fund	Insurance	$202 15
" "	School Repairs	750 00
" "	School Lands	850 00
" "	Preparation & Iss. Water Bonds	68 75
" "	Police Cruiser Maintenance	200 00

RECAPITULATION OF DEPARTMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS TRANSFERS AND EXPENDITURES

Department	*Total Appropriation, Transfers, Refunds*	*Expended*	*Balance Dec. 31*
Selectmen	2,650.00	2,645.61	4.39
Accounting	2,730.00	2,729.53	.47
Treasury	1,875.00	1,774.32	100.68
Collector	2,000.00	1,998.66	1.34
Assessors—Salaries and Wages	2,115.00	2,026.51	88.49
Expenses	350.00	348.22	1.78
Law	700.00	700.00	
Town Clerk	1,240.00	1,236.75	3.25
Election and Registration	1,800.00	1,708.54	91.46
Finance Committee	15.00	10.00	5.00
Preparation and issuing Bonds	100.48	97.50	2.98
Planning Board	500.00	177.33	322.67
Town Hall—Salary	2,516.80	2,516.80	
Expenses	1,600.00	1,586.50	13.50
Police—Salary and Wages	8,146.00	8,091.00	55.00
Expenses	935.00	903.78	31.22
Maintenance of Cruiser	950.00	871.60	78.40
Fire—Salaries and Wages	1,810.00	1,618.50	191.50
Expenses	2,380.00	2,377.39	2.61
Moth—Supt. Salary	1,471.80	1,471.80	
Wages	900.00	837.75	62.25
Expenses	372.00	370.45	1.52
Moth Priv. Property—Supt. Salary	522.50	522.50	
Wages	378.00	320.00	58.00
Expenses	390.00	390.00	
Tree Warden Salary	929.50	929.50	
Wages	1,322.00	1,082.00	240.00
Expenses	140.00	139.14	.86
Planting Trees	200.00	85.00	115.00
Forest Warden	100.00	97.43	2.57
Sealer	330.00	326.80	3.20
Civil Defense	1,482.85	610.20	872.65
Health—Salaries and Expenses	536.00	351.87	184.13
Rubbish Collection	2,500.00	2,499.71	.29
Garbage Collection	2,400.00	2,400.00	
Patients—Essex Sanatorium	820.00	226.50	593.50
Rent of Dump	240.00	240.00	

Department	*Total Appropriation, Transfers, Refunds*	*Expended*	*Balance Dec. 31*
Dental Clinic	2,800.00	2,763.30	36.70
Animal Inspector	140.00	140.00	
Highway Surveyor's Salary	3,432.00	3,432.00	
Wages of Drivers and Helpers	10,272.00	10,134.56	137.44
Labor and Expenses	6,296.00	5,492.27	803.73
Chap. 90 Maintenance	1,500.00	1,499.47	.53
Chap. 90 Construction	8,000.00		8,000.00
Secondary Roads	4,500.00	3,368.84	131.16
Snow Removal and Sanding	6,000.00	5,794.82	205.18
Truck Exchange	1,346.00	1,331.00	15.00
Street Lighting	8,250.00	8,165.36	84.64
Public Welfare	10,120.00	8,200.53	1,919.47
Old Age Assistance	32,069.85	26,068.87	6,000.98
Old Age Administration	2,500.00	1,601.40	898.54
Aid to Dep. Children	3,500.00	3,419.30	80.70
Aid to Dep. Child. Administ.	25.00		25.00
Veterans' Benefits	6,000.00	3,027.62	2,972.38
School—Supt. Salary	5,350.00	5,350.00	
Office Expense	3,125.00	3,079.43	45.57
Teachers' Salaries	67,824.65	66,550.53	1,274.12
Auxiliary Agencies	2,776.80	2,704.09	72.71
Operation of Plant	11,200.00	10,046.54	1,153.46
Textbooks and Supplies	5,594.75	5,299.26	295.49
Repairs and Upkeep	1,337.05	1,080.07	256.98
Transportation	9,435.00	9,316.00	119.00
Repairs—High	750.00	738.75	11.25
Outlay	2,425.20	2,298.76	126.44
Vocational	1,000.00	826.09	173.91
Reconstruct High School	60,000.00	4,831.90	55,168.10
New Elementary—Add. to High	52,000.00	24,548.43	27,451.57
Acquiring School Land	68,502.22	6,840.62	11.60
Public Library—Salaries	1,040.00	1,040.00	
Expenses	2,146.25	2,090.50	55.75
Park Supt. Salary	2,745.60	2,745.60	
Labor	600.00	598.53	1.47
Expenses	1,248.00	1,197.23	50.77
Instructors Salaries	648.00	645.00	3.00
Headquarters, American Legion	1,000.00	999.06	.94
Memorial Day	650.00	599.21	50.79
Town Reports	1,244.27	1,244.27	
Town Clock	500.00	497.99	2.01

Department	*Total Appropriation, Transfers, Refunds*	*Expended*	*Balance Dec. 31*
Insurance	2,902.15	2,902.15	
Retirement Fund	2,180.64	2,180.64	
Reserve Fund	6,000.00	2,070.90	3,929.10
School Building Committee	6,000.00	4,349.16	1,650.84
Road Markers—Patton Park	50.00	50.00	
Water—Salaries	3,560.00	3,560.00	
Labor	2,300.00	2,284.00	16.00
Expenses	8,500.00	8,481.66	18.32
Water from Essex	1,500.00	979.30	520.70
Extension of Mains	5,000.00	4,756.96	243.04
Pump House and Well	17,250.00	7,783.05	9,466.95
Acquiring Land	1,050.00	300.00	750.00
Cemetery—Salaries	2,691.80	2,682.60	9.20
Wages and Expenses	1,431.41	1,431.41	
Improvements	1,800.00	1,797.33	2.67
Interest	2,500.00	2,436.81	63.19
Maturing Debt	20,000.00	20,000.00	

TRUST FUNDS

DR. JUSTIN ALLEN LIBRARY FUND

Savings Bank deposits January 1. 1951	$578 88
Interest added during 1951	14 56
Savings Bank deposits December 31, 1951	593 44

H. AUGUSTA DODGE LIBRARY FUND

Savings Bank deposits January 1, 1951	1,160 70
Interest added during 1951	29 19
Savings Bank deposits December 31, 1951	1,189 89

MAXWELL NORMAN FUND

Savings Bank deposits January 1, 1951	499 11
Interest added during 1951	15 07
Savings Bank deposits December 31, 1951	514 18

CEMETERY SALE OF LOTS FUND

Savings Bank deposits January 1. 1951	10,608 80
Interest added during 1951	264 30
Added to Savings deposits 1951	1,595 00
	12,468 10
Withdrawn for Cemetery Improvements	1,800 00
Savings deposits December 31, 1951	10,668 10
Cash in Treasury December 31, 1951	610 00
	11,278 10

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

Savings Bank deposits January 1, 1951	24,587 06
Bequests added to savings deposits during 1951	245 00
Interest added during 1951	618 50
	$25,450 56
Transferred to Town for Cemetery purposes	450 00
Savings Bank deposits December 31, 1951	$25,000 56

TOWN OF HAMILTON

December 31, 1951

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

	Balance Dec. 31, 1950	Bequests and Additions	Income	Withdrawn	Balance Dec. 31, 1951
Allen, Dr. D. S.	386 77		9 72	9 00	387 49
Burnham, Choate	186 47		4 68	4 00	187 15
Haynes, George T.	111 61		2 80	2 00	112 41
Kinsman, Jacob	113 71		2 85	2 00	114 56
Dodge, H. Augustus & Mary A.	262 18		6 29	6 00	262 77
Safford, Daniel E.	110 97		2 78	2 00	111 75
Whipple, L. D.	103 98		2 60	2 00	104 58
Burnham, Amos	103 27		2 59	2 00	103 86
Abbott, Marshall K.	228 39		5 74	5 00	229 13
Brown, Elizabeth S.	113 40		2 84	2 00	114 24
Dane, Luther	117 28		2 94	2 00	118 22
Roberts, Daniel	313 55		5 80	3 00	316 35
Dane, Francis	1,156 81		29 09	25 00	1,160 90
Dodge, Joseph T.	111 62		2 80	2 00	112 42
Bean, Ellen A.	118 65		2 98	2 00	119 63
Allen, Albert F.	108 21		2 71	2 00	108 92
Ayers, Samuel	439 59		11 05	5 00	445 64
Allen, Dr. Justin	105 70		2 65	2 00	106 35
Townsend, William E.	112 44		2 81	2 00	113 25
Davenport, Jabez K.	109 42		2 74	2 00	110 16
Whipple, Hannah M.	109 04		2 74	2 00	109 78
Gleason, William H.	109 33		2 74	2 00	110 07
Fletcher, Roland	161 30		4 05	3 00	162 35
Mann, John R.	160 88		4 03	3 00	161 91
Mann, Jesse S.	160 88		4 03	3 00	161 91
Sampson, Carrie	157 96		3 95	3 00	158 91
Perley, Alvin L.	160 57		4 03	3 00	161 60
Foster, C. A. & L. C.	160 57		4 03	3 00	161 60
Southwick, Mrs. Arthur	159 46		4 00	3 00	160 46
Durkee, Frank G.	157 77		3 95	3 00	158 72
Sargeant, Henry	157 77		3 95	3 00	158 72
Fitz, George W.	157 77		3 95	3 00	158 72
Ayer, Charles F.	523 10		13 15	12 00	524 25
Fuller, Marian B.	157 50		3 95	3 00	158 45
Bradeen, A. & Haskell, T.	157 50		3 95	3 00	158 45
Feener, Herbert J.	156 40		3 93	3 00	157 33
Schaller, Carrie	156 15		3 93	3 00	157 08

	Balance Dec. 31, 1950	Bequests and Additions	Income	Withdrawn	Balance Dec. 31, 1951
Dodge, Esther M.	156 15		3 93	3 00	157 08
Kennedy, Hazel A.	315 47		7 93	6 00	317 40
Sweeney, Thomas S.	155 58		3 90	3 00	156 48
Little, William J.	155 58		3 90	3 00	156 48
Rankins, Carrie L.	153 99		3 85	3 00	154 84
Dodge, Thomas J.	155 54		3 90	3 00	156 44
Kent, Willis	156 31		3 93	3 00	157 24
Doyle, Harold E. & J. J.	154 75		3 88	3 00	155 63
Cox, Edward	154 75		3 88	3 00	155 63
Newhall, Marian A.	154 75		3 88	3 00	155 63
Whipple, Emerson A.	112 89		2 83	2 00	113 72
Neal, Nirum	56 56		1 41	1 00	56 97
Stone, Daniel D.	110 48		2 77	2 00	111 25
Woodbury, John T.	112 17		2 81	2 00	112 98
Whittredge, John	112 17		2 81	2 00	112 98
Hobbs, Franklin	111 25		2 79	2 00	112 04
Bradstreet, John	210 70		5 29	5 00	210 99
Norton, Francis C.	170 88		4 29	4 00	171 17
Nason, Daniel A.	109 70		2 75	2 00	110 45
Rowe, Mary	109 70		2 75	2 00	110 45
Knowlton, Joseph	105 42		2 64	2 00	106 06
Knowlton, John H.	114 33		2 87	2 00	115 20
Porter, Benjamin	112 64		2 83	2 00	113 47
Smith, Charles H.	105 40		2 64	2 00	106 04
Chadwick, Alden	114 35		2 87	2 00	115 22
Trefry, Henry G.	111 54		2 79	2 00	112 33
Ware, Lydia	227 28		5 72	5 00	228 00
Neal, George A.	56 10		1 40	1 00	56 50
Austin, Delia	104 56		2 61	2 00	105 17
Brewer, Alice E.	105 42		2 64	2 00	106 06
Roberts, George E.	110 72		2 78	2 00	111 50
Proctor, James H.	376 41		9 46	9 00	376 87
Woodbury, John L.	534 41		13 44	12 00	535 85
Patch, Mrs. Washington	104 31		2 61	2 00	104 92
Trussell, Frank P.	171 04		4 30	4 00	171 34
Thayer, Samuel E.	111 96		2 80	2 00	112 76
Chandler, Arthur W.	104 31		2 61	2 00	104 92
Lovering, Myrtle B.	117 83		2 95	3 00	117 78
Knowlton, Clarence S.	112 29		2 81	2 00	113 10
MacDonald, Alexander	111 40		2 79	2 00	112 19
Ellis, Emily	111 79		2 80	2 00	112 59
Colwell, Ernest G.	112 60		2 83	2 00	113 43
Ayers, Fred H.	111 17		2 79	2 00	111 96
Smerage, Charles A.	113 88		2 85	2 00	114 73
Grant, Alice	104 31		2 61	2 00	104 92

	Balance Dec. 31, 1950	Bequests and Additions	Income	Withdrawn	Balance Dec. 31, 1951
Hayes, Olivia E.	112 71		2 83	2 00	113 54
Crowley, Bertha	110 55		2 77	2 00	111 32
Elwell, John E. & Gertrude	113 76		2 85	2 00	114 61
Wilson, James	113 92		2 85	2 00	114 77
Gamboa, Joseph	109 35		2 74	2 00	110 09
MacDonald, Robert	111 73		2 80	2 00	112 53
Horne, Duncan K.	107 02		2 69	2 00	107 71
Thompson, Mary E.	174 06		4 38	4 00	174 44
Whipple, A. C. (Flower Fund)	224 44	70 00	5 64		300 08
Andrews, Mary	40 20		1 00		41 20
Norris, George A.	161 83		4 87	4 00	162 70
Southwick, Mary A.	104 37		3 14	3 00	104 51
Dodge, Joseph W.	161 77		4 87	4 00	162 64
Rogers, Charles, Jr.	109 40		3 30	3 00	109 70
Wood, Oscar A.	157 52		4 74	4 00	158 26
Perron, James	53 77		1 60	1 00	54 37
Murray, Alice I.	105 58		3 18	3 00	105 76
Anderson, Perley G.	105 88		3 18	3 00	106 06
Williams, Constance C.	210 14		6 35	5 00	211 49
Cummings, A. Merrill	106 87		3 21	3 00	107 08
Knowlton, Willis F.	439 13		13 26	10 00	442 39
Gibney, George H.	105 64		3 18	3 00	105 82
Malone, Samuel	154 75		3 88	3 00	155 63
Smerage, Rodolph A.	157 30		3 95		161 25
Burnham, Arthur W.	151 09		3 79	3 00	151 88
Stewart, Gilbert L.	501 64		12 60	12 00	502 24
Cullen, Mrs. Walter H.	150 00		3 45		153 45
Coolidge, Victoria T.	500 00		11 52		511 52
Haraden, J. Andrew	300 00		6 92		306 92
Stanley, Eben B.	75 00		1 72		76 72
Moynihan, T. A.	150 00		3 45		153 45
Haraden, J. Andrew	50 00		1 15		51 15
Mehlman, Mrs. R. W.	300 00		4 38		304 38
Carlson, John & Nora	50 00		73		50 73
Giddings, Mary E.	150 00		2 19	3 00	149 19
Harrigan, George	150 00		1 88		151 88
Carey, Charles B.		150 00	63		150 63
Single, Graves	75 88	25 00	1 81		77 69
Burton, P. W. & F. J.	111 63		2 80	2 00	112 43
Patch, Emelina	109 27		2 74	2 00	110 01
Dodge, Edward W.	111 06		2 79	2 00	111 85
Whipple, Albert M.	108 76		2 73	2 00	109 49
Horne, Thomas	113 54		2 84	2 00	114 38
Andrews, Horace E.	118 88		2 98	2 00	119 86

	Balance Dec. 31, 1950	Bequests and Additions	Income	Withdrawn	Balance Dec. 31, 1951
Peterson, Charles A.	104 24		2 61	2 00	104 85
Graham, C. E.	55 52		1 39	1 00	55 91
Lovering, J. P.	112 85		2 83	2 00	113 68
Dufton, Joseph W.	111 64		2 80	2 00	112 44
Butler, Nathaniel B.	110 81		2 78	2 00	111 59
Fillebrown, Howard R.	53 44		1 34	1 00	53 78
Cutler, Temple	84 94		2 11	2 00	85 05
Cutler, Temple	85 81		2 14	2 00	85 95
Dane, Ephraim A.	106 53		2 67	2 00	107 20
Patch, Laura S.	110 91		2 78	2 00	111 69
Dodge, James E.	114 23		2 87	2 00	115 10
Dane, Joseph F.	103 71		2 60	2 00	104 31
Mason, Arthur	116 03		2 91	2 00	116 94
Goodhue, Samuel A.	111 37		2 79	2 00	112 16
Preston, Thomas	111 70		2 80	2 00	112 50
McNeil, Hattie S.	111 85		2 80	2 00	112 65
Tuttle, John	113 50		2 84	2 00	114 34
Kimball, Susan A.	162 69		4 08	4 00	162 77
Henry, Mary R.	81 37		2 04	2 00	81 41
Knowlton, Isaac F.	232 86		5 84	5 00	233 70
Knowlton, George K.	114 76		2 88	2 00	115 64
Anderson, Johanna M.	105 07		2 64	2 00	105 71
Swett, George C.	104 80		2 63	2 00	105 43
French, Isaac I.	103 83		2 60	2 00	104 43
Abbott, Albert S.	106 07		2 67	2 00	106 74
Whitman, Florence H.	104 78		2 63	2 00	105 41
Tilton, Barclay & Alice D.	401 99		10 10	10 00	402 09
Chandler, William D.	111 63		2 80	2 00	112 43
Williams, Betty L.	107 29		3 22	3 00	107 51
Hurlbart, Eben	104 58		3 15	3 00	104 73
Newcomb, Charles A.	105 13		3 16	3 00	105 29
Daley, Harold A.	210 44		6 35	6 00	210 79
Crowell, Frank B.	54 89		1 62	1 00	55 51
Shepherd, Helen	29 75		88		30 63
Tappan, Foster E.	124 80		3 75		128 55

TOWN OF HAMILTON

Balance Sheet — December 31, 1951

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets

Cash:		
In Banks and Office		$192,418 81
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1951:		
Personal Property	$1,937 85	
Real Estate	14,753 11	16,690 96
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1951		1,946 72
Moth Assessments:		
Levy of 1951		4 60
Tax Titles	343 52	
Tax Possessions	118 42	461 94
Departmental:		
Aid to Dependent Children	193 15	
Veterans' Services	205 50	
School	240 00	
Cemetery	84 25	722 90
Water Department:		
Rates	1,910 33	
Services	193 52	2,103 85
State and County Aid to Highways:		
State	4,000 00	
County	2,000 00	6,000 00
Loans Authorized		750,000 00
Overlay Deficit:		
Levy of 1950		309 70
		$970,659 48

Liabilities and Reserves

Temporary Loan in Anticipation of Serial Issue	$50,000 00
Sale of Town Property Fund	825 00
Cemetery Sale of Lots and Graves Fund	610 00
School Lunch Fund	1,167 47
School Athletic Fund	62 20

Trust Fund Income:		
Library	$8 59	
Cemetery	209 06	217 65
Overestimate 1951:		
County Tax	772 35	
County Tuberculosis Hospital	940 34	
State Parks and Reservations	74 85	1,787 54
Loans Authorized—Unissued		700,000 00
Federal Grants:		
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Aid	2,353 63	
Administration	99 55	
Old Age Assistance:		
Assistance	9,124 04	
Administration	2,470 76	14,047 98
Unexpended Appropriation Balances:		
Town Clerk—Equipment	157 90	
Tree Warden—Planting Trees	115 00	
Civil Defense	872 65	
Highways—Chapter 90 Construction	8,000 00	
Highways—Secondary Roads	131 16	
Construct & Equp't.—Elementary School & Addition to High School & Equip't.	27,451 57	
Reconstruct & Extraordinary Repairs and and Equip't.—High School Building	55,168 10	
School Building Committee	1,650 84	
Water—Extension of Mains	243 04	
Water—Additional Supply	9,466 95	
Acquire Land for Water Purposes	750 00	104,007 21
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus		4,565 47
Overlays Reserved for Abatement of Taxes:		
Levy of 1951		581 51
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise	1,946 72	
Special Assessment	4 60	
Tax Title	461 94	
Departmental	722 90	
Water	2,103 85	
Aid to Highways	6,000 00	11,240 01
Surplus Revenue		81,547 44
		$970,659 48

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Assets

Net Funded or Fixed	$159,000 00
	$159,000 00

Liabilities

Water Loan 1939	$35,000 00
Water Loan 1947 (Mains)	87,000 00
Water Loan 1947 (Reservoir)	22,000 00
Water Loan 1951 (Well-Pump House and Main)	15,000 00
	$159,000 00

TRUST ACCOUNTS

Assets

Trust Funds—Cash and Securities	$37,966 17
	$37,966 17

Liabilities and Reserves

Dr. Justin Allen Library Fund	$593 44
H. Augusta Dodge Library Fund	1,189 89
Maxwell Norman Fund	514 18
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	25,000 56
Cemetery Sale of Lots and Graves Fund	10,668 10
	$37,966 17

TOWN OF HAMILTON

Bonded Indebtedness

December 31, 1951

Date of Maturity	Water Supply Bonds 1¼%, Issued 7-1-39	Water Bonds Reservoir & Wells 1¼%, Issued 10-1-47	Water Bonds Laying Mains 1½%, Issued 11-1-47	Water Bonds Pump House & Well 1¼%, Issued 10-1-51	Total
1952	5,000 00	2,000 00	8,000 00	3,000 00	18,000 00
1953	5,000 00	2,000 00	8,000 00	3,000 00	18,000 00
1954	5,000 00	2,000 00	8,000 00	3,000 00	18,000 00
1955	5,000 00	2,000 00	8,000 00	3,000 00	18,000 00
1956	5,000 00	2,000 00	8,000 00	3,000 00	18,000 00
1957	5,000 00	2,000 00	8,000 00		15,000 00
1958	5,000 00	2,000 00	8,000 00		15,000 00
1959		2,000 00	8,000 00		10,000 00
1960		2,000 00	8,000 00		10,000 00
1961		2,000 00	8,000 00		10,000 00
1962		2,000 00	7,000 00		9,000 00
	35,000 00	22,000 00	87,000 00	15,000 00	159,000 00

TOWN OF HAMILTON

Statement of Tax Rate per $1,000.00 Valuation
for the years
1920 to 1951 inclusive

Year	Tax Rate	Year	Tax Rate	Year	Tax Rate
1920	16 00	1931	24 70	1942	23 20
1921	20 00	1932	23 70	1943	22 00
1922	17 00	1933	22 30	1944	22 00
1923	21 00	1934	23 80	1945	24 00
1924	21 00	1935	28 60	1946	27 00
1925	23 80	1936	27 50	1947	31 60
1926	24 20	1937	26 70	1948	35 00
1927	23 80	1938	25 30	1949	35 00
1928	23 40	1939	25 00	1950	38 00
1929	22 70	1940	23 80	1951	38 00
1930	23 60	1941	23 40		

REPORT *of an* AUDIT

of

THE ACCOUNTS

of the

TOWN *of* HAMILTON

For the year 1951

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Department of Corporation and Taxation

Division of Accounts

State House, Boston 33

February 19, 1952

To the Board of Selectmen

Mr. Lawrence R. Stone, Chairman
Hamilton, Massachusetts

GENTLEMEN:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Hamilton for the year ending December 31, 1951, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

FRANCIS X. LANG,
Director of Accounts.

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Mr. Francis X. Lang
Director of Accounts
Department of Corporations and Taxation
State House, Boston

SIR:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Hamilton for the year ending December 31, 1951, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions, as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined and checked.

The town accountant's books were examined and compared with the records of the several departments. The payments as recorded in the ledger were verified by comparison with the warrants of the selectmen authorizing the disbursement of town funds, and the receipts were checked with the treasurer's records.

An analysis was made of the ledger, and the appropriation accounts were checked with the town clerk's record of appropriations and transfers authorized by vote of the town. The transfers from the reserve fund were checked with the finance committee's records.

A trial balance was drawn off proving the ledger accounts to be in balance, and a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the town on December 31, 1951 was prepared and is herewith appended.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts were analyzed and compared with the collector's records of payments to the treasurer, with the records in the several departments in which charges originated or in which money was collected for the town, and with the other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury. The recorded disbursements were compared with the warrants authorizing the treasurer to disburse town funds and with the town accountant's books.

The cash book footings were verified, and the cash balance on January 14, 1952 was proved by reconciliation of the bank balances with statements furnished by the banks of deposit and by actual count of the cash in the office.

The savings bank books representing the investments of the trust funds in the custody of the treasurer were examined and listed, the income being proved and the withdrawals being verified.

The payments of debt and interest were checked with the amounts falling due and with the cancelled securities and coupons on file.

The records of tax titles held by the town were examined and checked. The amounts added to the tax title account were compared with the collector's records, the reported redemptions were checked with the receipts as recorded on the treasurer's cash book, and the tax titles on hand were listed, proved, and compared with the records at the Registry of Deeds.

The records of deductions from employees' salaries for federal taxes and for the retirement fund were examined and checked, the payments to the Collector of Internal Revenue and to the Esssx County Retirement Board being verified.

The books and accounts in the town collector's office were examined and checked. The tax, excise, assessment, water, and cemetery accounts outstanding at the time of the previous examination and all subsequent commitments were audited and compared with the assessors' and departmental warrants. The cash receipts as posted in the commitment books were compared with the cash book record of collections, the abatements were compared with the assessors' and departmental records of abatements granted, the payments to the treasurer were verified, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved with the control accounts in the accountant's ledger.

Verification of the outstanding tax, excise, assessment, water, and cemetery accounts was made by sending notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, and from the replies received it appears that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The town clerk's records of sporting and dog licenses were examined, the payments to the Division of Fisheries and Game being verified with the receipts on file and the payments to the town treasurer being compared with the treasurer's cash book.

The surety bonds of the treasurer, collector, deputy collector, and town clerk for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

The records of cash receipts of the sealer of weights and measures, of the health, school, and library departments, and of all other departments wherein money is collected for the town were examined and checked, the payments to the treasurer and the cash on hand being verified.

Appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, are tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's and collector's cash, summaries of the tax, excise, assessment, tax title, departmental, and water accounts, as well as tables showing the condition and transactions of the trust funds.

For the cooperation extended by the several town officials during the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE
Assistant Director of Accounts

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RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH

Balance January 1, 1951,	$113,489 54	
Receipts,	563,184 81	
		$676,674 35
Payments,	$484,255 54	
Balance December 31, 1951,	192,418 81	
		$676,674 35

Balance January 1, 1952,	$192,418 81	
Receipts January 1 to 14, 1952,	8,843 04	
		$201,261 85
Payments January 1 to 14, 1952,	$16,752 15	
Balance January 14, 1952:		
Merchants National Bank, Salem, $16,598 60		
Beverly Trust Company, Beverly, 150,809 87		
Day Trust Company, Boston, 16,861 23		
Cash in office, verified, 240 00		
	184,509 70	
		$201,261 85

Merchants National Bank, Salem

Balance January 14, 1952, per statement,		$17,165 08
Balance January 14, 1952, per check book,	$16,598 60	
Outstanding checks January 14, 1952, per list,	566 48	
		$17,165 08

Beverly Trust Company, Beverly

Balance January 14, 1952, per statement,		$163,010 57
Balance January 14, 1952, per check book,	$150,809 87	
Outstanding checks January 14, 1952, per list,	12,200 70	
		$163,010 57

Day Trust Company, Boston

Balance January 14, 1952, per statement,		$17,776 38
Balance January 14, 1952, per check book,	$16,861 23	
Outstanding checks January 14, 1952, per list	915 15	
		$17,776 38

PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS

Federal Taxes

Deductions 1951,	$13,736 47
Payments to Collector of Internal Revenue 1951,	$13,736 47
Deductions January 1 to 14, 1952,	$630 40
Balance January 14, 1952, per list,	$630 40

Retirement Fund

Deductions 1951,	$2,613 88
Payments to Essex County Retirement Board 1951,	$2,613 88
Deductions January 1 to 14, 1952,	$93 80
Balance January 14, 1952, per list,	$93 80

RECONCILIATION OF COLLECTOR'S CASH

Cash balances January 14, 1952, per tables:		
Real estate taxes 1951,	$5 70	
Motor vehicle and trailer excise 1951,	164 52	
Interest,	1 77	
Water rates,	203 20	
		$375 19
Cash on hand January 14, 1952, verified,		$375 19

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES—1950

Outstanding January 1, 1951,		$1,610 82
Payments to treasurer 1951,	$1,601 32	
Abatements 1951,	9 50	
		$1,610 82

REAL ESTATE TAXES 1950

Outstanding January 1, 1951,	$13,392 57	
Refunds 1951,	76 00	
		$13,468 57
Payments to treasurer 1951,	$13,168 37	
Abatements 1951,	300 20	
		$13,468 57

POLL TAXES—1951

Commitments 1951, per warrants,	$1,900 00	
Refunds 1951,	4 00	
Abatements cancelled 1951,	2 00	
		$1,906 00
Payments to treasurer 1951,	$1,602 00	
Abatements 1951,	304 00	
		$1,906 00

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES—1951

Commitments per warrants,	$25,426 56	
Refunds,	21 75	
		$25,448 31
Payments to treasurer,	$23,288 16	
Abatements,	222 30	
Outstanding December 31, 1951,	1,937 85	
		$25,448 31
Outstanding January 1, 1952,		$1,937 85
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 14, 1952.	$524 40	
Outstanding January 14, 1952, per list,	1,413 45	
		$1,937 85

REAL ESTATE TAXES—1951

Commitment per warrants,	$225,585 67	
Refunds,	631 00	
		$226,216 67
Payments to treasurer,	$206,653 71	
Abatements,	4,743 35	
Added to tax titles,	66 50	
Outstanding December 31, 1951,	14,753 11	
		$226,216 67
Outstanding January 1, 1952,		$14,753 11
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 14, 1952.	$4,191 23	
Outstanding January 14, 1952, per list,	10,556 18	
Cash balance January 14, 1952,	5 70	
		$14,753 11

MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE—1950

Outstanding January 1, 1951,	$862 52	
Commitments 1951, per warrants,	335 10	
Refunds 1951,	107 82	
Abatements cancelled,	5 51	
		$1,310 95
Payments to treasurer 1951,	$1,132 30	
Abatements 1951,	178 65	
		$1,310 95

MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE—1951

Commitments per warrants,	$27,952 01	
Refunds,	830 53	
		$28,782 54
Payments to treasurer.	$24,568 75	
Abatements,	2,267 07	
Outstanding December 31, 1951,	1,946 72	
		$28,782 54
Outstanding January 1, 1952,	$1,946 72	
Refunds January 1 to 14, 1952,	43 03	
		$1,989 75
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 14, 1952,	$451 91	
Abatements January 1 to 14, 1952,	780 22	
Outstanding January 14, 1952, per list,	593 10	
Cash balance January 14, 1952,	164 52	
		$1,989 75

MOTH ASSESSMENTS—1950

Outstanding January 1, 1951,	$7 50
Payments to treasurer 1951,	$7 50

MOTH ASSESSMENTS—1951

Commitment per warrants,		$827 35
Payments to treasurer,	$822 75	
Outstanding December 31, 1951 and January 14, 1952, per list,	4 60	
		$827 35

INTEREST

Collections 1951:			
Taxes:			
Levy of 1950,	$328 65		
Levy of 1951,	40 99		
		$369 64	
Motor vehicle and trailer excise:			
1950,	$7 61		
1951,	15 79		
		23 40	
Water services,		36 75	
			$429 79
Payments to treasurer 1951,			$429 79
Collections January 1 to 14, 1952:			
Taxes:			
Levy of 1951,		$50 19	
Motor vehicle and trailer excise 1951,		89	
			$51 08
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 14, 1952,		$49 31	
Cash balance January 14, 1952,		1 77	
			$51 08

TAX TITLES

Balance January 1, 1951,	$306 08	
Added to tax titles:		
Taxes 1951,	66 50	
		$372 58
Tax titles redeemed,	$29 06	
Balance December 31, 1951 and January 14, 1952, per list,	343 52	
		$372 58

TAX POSSESSIONS

Balance January 1, 1951,	$136 53	
Sale price of tax possessions in excess of book value,	2 70	
		$139 23
Sale of tax possessions,	$20 81	
Balance December 31, 1951, and January 14, 1952, per list,	118 42	
		$139 23

SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT

Miscellaneous Receipts

Licenses and permits issued 1951:		
Automobile—Class I,	$4 00	
Common victualler,	6 00	
Junk,	50 00	
Liquor,	1,455 00	
Revolver,	19 50	
Second-hand articles,	2 00	
Sunday,	20 00	
		$1,556 50
Payments to treasurer 1951,		$1,556 50
Licenses and permits issued January 1 to 14, 1952:		
Automobile—Class I,	$2 00	
Common victualler,	6 00	
Liquor,	1,450 00	
Revolver,	8 00	
		$1,466 00
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 14, 1952,	$1,458 00	
Cash an hand January 14, 1952, verified,	8 00	
		$1,466 00

TOWN CLERK

Dog Licenses

Licenses issued 1951:			
Male,	203 @ $2 00,	$406 00	
Female,	49 @ 5 00,	245 00	
Spayed female,	67 @ 2 00,	134 00	
Kennel,	6 @ 10 00,	60 00	
Kennel,	4 @ 25 00,	100 00	
Kennel,	1 @ 50 00,	50 00	
			$995 00
Payments to treasurer 1951,		$929 00	
Fees retained 1951, 330 @ $.20,		66 00	
			$995 00

Sporting Licenses

Licenses issued 1951:			
Resident citizens:			
Fishing,	65 @ $2 00,	$130 00	
Hunting,	72 @ 2 00,	144 00	
Sporting,	39 @ 3 25,	126 75	
Minor and female fishing,	23 @ 1 25,	28 75	

Special non-residents':			
Fishing,	2 @ 1 50,	3 00	
Duplicates	1 @ 50,	50	
			$433 00
Payments to Division of Fisheries and Game 1951,		$382 75	
Fees retained 1951.	201 @ $.25.	50 25	
			$433 00

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Cash balance January 1, 1951,	$ 10	
Receipts 1951,	62 35	
		$62 45
Payments to treasurer 1951,	$61 95	
Cash balance December 31, 1951 and January 14, 1952,	50	
		$62 45

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Licenses

Licenses issued 1951:		
Ice cream,	$10 00	
Oleomargerine,	50	
		$10 50
Payments to treasurer 1951,		$10 50

Milk Inspector

Permits issued 1951:		
Dealer,	$5 50	
Store	8 50	
		$14 00
Payments to treasurer 1951		$14 00

DENTAL CLINIC

Charges 1951,		$500 20
Payments to treasurer 1951,	$431 70	
Cash balance December 31, 1951,	68 50	
		$500 20
Cash balance January 1, 1952,	$68 50	
Charges January 1 to 14, 1952,	32 00	
		$100 50
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 14, 1952,	$68 50	
Cash balance January 14, 1952,	32 00	
		$100 50

Cash balance January 15, 1952,	$32 00	
Charges January 15 to 23, 1952,	15 55	
		$47 55
Cash on hand January 23, 1952, verified,		$47 55

PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Temporary Aid—Accounts Receivable

Outstanding January 1, 1951,	$571 60	
Charges,	148 85	
		$720 45
Payments to treasurer 1951,		$720 45

Aid to Dependent Children—Accounts Receivable—State

Outstanding January 14, 1951,	$179 42	
Charges,	1,478 28	
		$1,657 70
Payments to treasurer,	$1,215 28	
Transferred from aid to dependent children recoveries,	249 27	
Outstanding December 31, 1951 and January 14, 1952, per list,	193 15	
		$1,657 70

Old Age Assistance—Accounts Receivable—State

Charges 1951,		$16,755 32
Payments to treasurer 1951,	$16,574 35	
Transferred from old age recoveries 1951,	180 97	
		$16,755 32

Old Age Assistance—Accounts Receivable—Cities and Towns

Outstanding January 1, 1951,	$624 79
Payments to treasurer 1951,	$624 79

VETERANS' SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Accounts Receivable

Outstanding January 1, 1951,	$100 50	
Charges,	1,252 45	
		$1,352 95
Payments to treasurer,	$1,022 45	
Disallowances,	125 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1951 and January 14, 1952, per list,	205 50	
		$1,352 95

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Accounts Receivable

Outstanding January 1, 1951,	$320 00	
Charges,	560 00	
		$880 00
Payments to treasurer,	$640 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1951,	240 00	
		$880 00
Outstanding January 1, 1952,		$240 00
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 14, 1952,		$240 00

Lunch Program

Receipts 1951,		$11,220 54
Payments to treasurer 1951,		$11,220 54
Receipts January 1 to 14, 1952,		$706 15
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 14, 1952,		$706 15
Receipts January 15 to 23, 1952,		$309 70
Payments to treasurer January 15 to 23, 1952,	$252 00	
Cash on hand January 23, 1952, verified,	57 70	
		$309 70

Athletic Program

Receipts 1951,		$559 62
Payments to treasurer 1951,		$559 62
Receipts January 1 to 14, 1952,		$196 70
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 14, 1952,	$166 50	
Cash balance January 14, 1952,	30 20	
		$196 70
Cash balance January 15, 1952,	$30 20	
Receipts January 15 to 23, 1952,	82 10	
		$112 30
Payments to treasurer January 15 to 23, 1952,	$32 20	
Cash on hand January 23, 1952, verified,	80 10	
		$112 30

Miscellaneous Receipts

Receipts 1951:		
Manual training,	$139 08	
Rent of gym,	20 00	
		$159 08
Payments to treasurer 1951,		$159 08

LIBRARY

Cash balance January 1, 1951,	$1 00	
Receipts,	17 93	
		$18 93
Payments to treasurer,	$17 20	
Cash balance December 31, 1951,	1 73	
		$18 93
Cash balance January 1, 1952,	$1 73	
Receipts January 1 to 14, 1952,	25	
		$1 98
Cash on hand January 14, 1952, verified,		$1 98

WATER DEPARTMENT

Rates

Outstanding January 1, 1951,	$1,978 31	
Commitments,	17,001 32	
Refunds,	7 70	
		$18,987 33
Payments to treasurer,	$17,034 72	
Abatements,	42 28	
Outstanding December 31, 1951,	1,910 33	
		$18,987 33
Outstanding January 1, 1952	$1,910 33	
Commitment January 1 to 14, 1952,	5,033 30	
		$6,943 63
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 14, 1952,	$201 97	
Outstanding January 14, 1952, per list,	6,538 46	
Cash balance January 14, 1952,	203 20	
		$6,943 63

Services

Outstanding January 1, 1951,	$369 63	
Commitments,	1,503 41	
Refunds,	9 19	
		$1,882 23
Payments to treasurer,	$1,687 71	
Abatements,	1 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1951,	193 52	
		$1,882 23

Outstanding January 1, 1952,	$193 52	
Commitment January 1 to 14, 1952,	52 00	
		$245 52
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 14, 1952,	$55 37	
Outstanding January 14, 1952, per list,	190 15	
		$245 52

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

Accounts Receivable

Outstanding January 1, 1951,	$86 50	
Charges,	448 50	
		$535 00
Payments to treasurer,	$435 25	
Abatements,	15 50	
Outstanding December 31, 1951,	84 25	
		$535 00
Outstanding January 1, 1952,		$84 25
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 14, 1952,	$5 50	
Outstanding January 14, 1952, per list,	78 75	
		$84 25

Miscellaneous Receipts

Receipts 1951:		
Bequests	$245 00	
Sale of lots and graves,	685 00	
Interments,	488 00	
		$1,418 00
Payments to treasurer 1951,		$1,418 00

DR. JUSTIN ALLEN LIBRARY FUND

	Savings Deposits	*Total*
On hand at beginning of year 1951,	$578 88	$578 88
On hand at end of year 1951,	$593 44	$593 44
On hand January 14, 1952,	$593 44	$593 44

Receipts		Payments	
1951			
Income,	$14 56	Added to savings deposits,	$14 56

January 1 to 14, 1952

No transactions recorded

H. AUGUSTA DODGE LIBRARY FUND

	Savings Deposits	*Total*
On hand at beginning of year 1951,	$1,160 70	$1,160 70
On hand at end of year 1951,	$1,189 89	$1,189 89
On hand January 14, 1952,	$1,189 89	$1,189 89

Receipts		Payments	
	1951		
Income,	$29 19	Added to savings deposits,	$29 19

January 1 to 14, 1952

No transactions recorded

MAXWELL NORMAN FUND

	Savings Deposits	*Total*
On hand at beginning of year 1951,	$499 11	$499 11
On hand at end of year 1951,	$514 18	$514 18
On hand January 14, 1952,	$514 18	$514 18

Receipts		Payments	
	1951		
Income,	$15 07	Added to savings deposits	$15 07

January 1 to 14, 1952

No transactions recorded

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

	Savings Deposits	*Total*
On hand at beginning of year 1951,	$24,587 06	$24,587 06
On hand at end of year 1951,	$25,000 56	$25,000 56
On hand January 14, 1952,	$25,000 56	$25,000 56

Receipts		Payments	
	1951		
Withdrawn from savings deposits	$450 00	Added to savings deposits,	$863 50
Income,	618 50	Transferred to town,	450 00
Bequests,	245 00		
	$1,313 50		$1,313 50

January 1 to 14, 1952

No transactions recorded

CEMETERY SALE OF LOTS AND GRAVES FUND

	Cash in General Treasury	*Savings Deposits*	*Total*
On hand at beginning of year 1951,	$1,520 00	$10,608 80	$12,128 80
On hand at end of year 1951,	$610 00	$10,668 10	$11,278 10
On hand January 14, 1952,	$610 00	$10,668 10	$11,278 10

Receipts		Payments	
1951			
Withdrawn from savings deposits,	$1,800 00	Added to savings deposits,	$1,859 30
Income,	264 30	Transferred to town,	1,800 00
Sale of lots and graves,	685 00	Cash in general treasury December 31, 1951,	610 00
Cash in general treasury January 1, 1951,	1,520 00		
	$4,269 30		$4,269 30
January 1 to 14, 1952			
Cash in general treasury January 1, 1952,	$610 00	Cash in general treasury January 14, 1952,	$610 00

TOWN OF HAMILTON

Balance Sheet—December 31, 1951

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Cash:		
In Banks and Office,		$192,418 81
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1951:		
Personal Property,	$1,937 85	
Real Estate,	14,753 11	
		16,690 96
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1951,		1,946 72
Moth Assessments:		
Levy of 1951,		4.60
Tax Titles,	$343 52	
Tax Possessions,	118 42	
		461 94

Departmental:		
Aid to Dependent Children,	$193 15	
Veterans' Services,	205 50	
School,	240 00	
Cemetery,	84 25	
		722 90
Water:		
Rates,	$1,910 33	
Services,	193 52	
		2,103 85
Aid to Highways:		
State,	$4,000 00	
County,	2,000 00	
		6,000 00
Loans Authorized,		750,000 00
Overlay Deficit:		
Levy of 1950,		309 70
		$970,659 48

Liabilities and Reserves

Temporary Loan—In anticipation of Serial Issue,		$50,000 00
Sale of Town Property Fund,		825 00
Cemetery Sale of Lots and Graves Fund,		610 00
School Lunch Fund,		1,167 47
School Athletic Fund,		62 20
Trust Fund Income:		
Library,	$8 59	
Cemetery,	209 06	
		217 65
Overestimates 1951:		
County Tax,	$772 35	
County Tuberculosis Hospital,	940 34	
State Parks and Reservations,	74 85	
		1,787 54
Loans Authorized—Unissued,		700,000 00
Federal Grants:		
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Aid	$2,353 63	
Administration,	99 55	
Old Age Assistance:		
Assistance,	9,124 04	
Administration,	2,470 76	
		14,047 98

Unexpended Appropriation Balances:		
Town Clerk—Equipment,	$157 90	
Tree Warden—Planting Trees,	115 00	
Civil Defense,	872 65	
Highways—Chapter 90—Construction,	8,000 00	
Highways—Secondary Roads	131 16	
Construct and Equip Elementary School and Addition to High School and Equipment,	27,451 57	
Reconstruct and Extraordinary Repairs and Equip High School Building,	55,168 10	
School Building Committee,	1,650 84	
Water Extension Off Mains,	243 04	
Water—Additional Supply,	9,466 95	
Acquire Land for Water Purposes,	750 00	
		104,007 21
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus,		4,565 47
Overlays Reserved for Abatement of Taxes:		
Levy of 1951,		581 51
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise,	$1,946 72	
Special Assessment,	4.60	
Tax Title and Possession,	461 94	
Departmental,	722 90	
Water,	2,103 85	
Aid to Highways,	6,000 00	
		11,240 01
Surplus Revenue,		81,547 44
		$970,659 48

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Assets

Net Funded or Fixed Debt,	$159,000 00
	$159,000 00

Liabilities

Water Loan 1939,	$35,000 00
Water Loan 1947, (Mains),	87,000 00
Water Loan 1947, (Reservoir),	22,000 00
Water Loan 1951, (Well-Pump House and Main),	15,000 00
	$159,000 00

TRUST ACCOUNTS

Assets

Trust Funds—Cash and Securities,	$37,966 17
	$37,966 17

Liabilities

Dr. Justin Allen Library Fund,	$593 44
H. Augusta Dodge Library Fund,	1,189 89
Maxwell Norman Fund,	514 18
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds,	25,000 56
Cemetery Sale of Lots and Graves Fund,	10,668 10
	$37,966 17

REPORT

of the

HAMILTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

1951

REPORT OF
THE HAMILTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The School Committee has had an eventful year, highlighted, of course, by the commencement of construction of the new 14-room elementary school and the addition to and renovation of the High School building. The School Committee wishes to congratulate the School Building Committee for its splendid work in developing the plans for the projects. We feel certain that Hamilton will have two school buildings of which it can be well proud when completed.

It is pleasant to realize that next September, the department will have one brand new plant and one enlarged plant at its disposal and that the day of reckoning will arrive soon for overcrowded classrooms, two platoon systems, inadequate gymnasiums, terrible locker room facilities, water leakage in the High School, and rickety heating system.

The School Committee has found it again necessary to recognize the need for salary adjustments in the school department staff and a sum of money is included in our budget for this purpose. This increase keeps Hamilton at a point slightly above the average from a salary standpoint in towns in its population class in the Commonwealth. The increase to our salary system was necessary not only for the high cost of living but also from the factor of being able to compete financially for services of well qualified teachers when it becomes necessary to fill vacancies and of being able to pay a little more in order to hold the good teachers we have. Even with this increase if one were to look through the salary schedule it would be found that teachers are not paid anything resembling high salaries. In fact, salaries are quite modest when it is considered the qualifications needed to become a teacher and the responsibilities and influences they have on our children's future.

This salary adjustment will explain the increase in the department budget for 1952. In many cases, we have been able to cut requests lower than last year's appropriation but our budget is nevertheless up by roughly $15,000 over last year. The School Committee regrets the increase as much as do the taxpayers (in which category we are also) but we do not set costs of commodities and are caught, therefore, in the mad swirl of inflation as is everyone else. We believe that we have pared our requests down to the point where any further cuts would hamper seriously the services we are able to give in the schools.

The superintendent, under committee supervision, is improving the quality of our curriculum constantly. One good example of this is in our commercial course where we were able to rent, at a relatively low cost, certain business machines not ordinarily within the means of a small school system to provide commercial students with a broader education in office

practices. Proof of the success of this arrangement is shown by the fact that the United Shoe Machinery Corporation asked to hire four members of the class of 1951 before they were graduated. In addition, the department has furnished other town departments, notably the town clerk and the Police Department, with commercial students for secretarial work as a classroom project.

The manual arts department is making great strides along practical experience lines also. Boys in these classes have done a great deal of work in the school during the past year and have built, also, a thoroughly substantial bookcase for the South Hamilton Branch Library.

As for personnel changes, the committee has hired three teachers during the past year. They are: Miss Priscilla McKay of Gloucester, head of the High School English Department; E. Luther Johnson of Worcester, foreign languages instructor; and Walter S. Perkins, Jr., of Hamilton, fifth grade teacher in the Jonathan Lamson School. Due to increased numbers of children the committee will have to acquire three new teachers for the term beginning in September 1952. We will need an additional sixth grade teacher, a fifth grade teacher and a kindergarten teacher. Actually, the department could use five new teachers but in the interests of economy, we will have to make three do for next year. It is well to point out, however, that the large elementary school classes will progress to the High School level very shortly and additional teachers will have to be obtained to handle this load or the curriculum will suffer.

The committee wishes to make mention at this time of the following people, with greatest appreciation, for their efforts in the school system's behalf:

The Superintendent of Schools, whom the town is lucky to have.

Mrs. Hazel E. Ramer and Miss Marian C. Joseph, our principals, who are seeing to it that some fine teaching is being done in the Hamilton School System.

Mrs. Elizabeth Edmondson, the School Department secretary.

Town Accountant Francis H. Whipple.

The Finance Committee.

The Board of Selectmen, for their patience and cooperation during the past year and a half when the kindergarten has been located in the Town Hall.

Surveyor of Highways the late Leland D. Thompson and his men for use of sections of the Highway Department snow fence and for transportation of several tons of potatoes, enabling the School Department to purchase them at a considerable saving.

The Carmelite Junior Seminary, for its gracious offer to use their new gymnasium while ours is in the process of construction this winter.

Mrs. B. Preston Cutler for her generous gift of a handsome, glass wall cabinet that makes a splendid trophy case.

Dr. Allen M. Hill, for devoting several Saturday afternoons last fall, free of charge, to being the attending physician at our High School foot-

ball games when he otherwise might have enjoyed an afternoon off or attended to his own busy practice.

Wilton J. Moyer, a member of the High School faculty, who coached the Hamilton High School football team to an undefeated season during which they won the state six-man football championship.

Town Treasurer, Walfred B. Sellman.

Thomas L. Henley, Sr., and the group of friends who contributed a tackling dummy to the athletic department.

And to everyone else who cooperated with us to close out a most successful year.

A report of the Superintendent of Schools is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

HAMILTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

MORLEY L. PIPER, *Chairman*
GRACE B. LAMSON
RUTH F. DONALDSON

HAMILTON SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

	Budget 1951	Expenditures During 1951	Budget 1952
General Expense			
Superintendent's Salary	$5,350.00	$5,350.00	$5,850.00
General Expense			
Expense of Office:			
Superintendent's Travel	200.00	154.79	125.00
Office Expense	75.00	74.63	75.00
Census Enumerator	100.00	100.00	150.00
Salary—Secretary	2,550.00	2,550.00	2,850.00
Clerk to School Committee	100.00	100.00	150.00
Truant Officer	100.00	100.00	150.00
	$3,125.00	$3,079.42	$3,500.00
Expense of Instruction			
Teachers' Salaries:			
High	36,833.33	36,704.90	41,266.63
Elementary	28,433.32	27,695.05	36,183.31
Art	530.00	530.00	590.00
Writing	450.00	450.00	450.00
Music	578.00	578.00	658.00
Substitutes	500.00	413.00	500.00
Contingency Fund	500.00	179.57	800.00
	67,824.65	66,550.52	80,447.94
Textbooks and Supplies			
Textbooks—High	1,150.00	1,149.65	1,150.00
Textbooks—Elementary	1,000.00	995.48	1,375.00
Supplies—High	1,538.00	1,537.33	1,550.00
Supplies—Elementary	650.00	649.96	850.00
Supplies—Shop	700.00	580.20	750.00
Supplies—Home Economics	150.00	104.22	100.00
Supplies—Music	100.00	99.64	100.00
Films	50.00	55.87	60.00
Testing Program	250.00	120.16	250.00
School Board Journal	6.75	6.75	6.75
	5,594.75	5,299.26	6,191.75

	Budget 1951	Expenditures During 1951	Budget 1952
Operation of Plant			
Salaries—Janitor:			
High	2,600.00	2,600.00	2,900.00
Elementary	2,550.00	2,550.00	2,850.00
Substitutes	150.00	97.07	150.00
Fuel—High	1,670.00	884.71	2,058.22
Fuel—Elementary	1,555.00	1,553.23	1,146.00
Electricity—High	800.00	819.17	1,500.00
Electricity—Elementary	600.00	469.87	.....
Janitors' Supplies	875.00	846.24	1,050.00
Gas	200.00	173.73	200.00
Water	200.00	103.30	200.00
	11,200.00	10,097.32	12,054.22
Maintenance of Plant			
Repairs, Replacements, and Upkeep:			
High and Elementary	1,337.05	1,080.07	600.00
Auxiliary Agencies			
Transportation	9,435.00	9,316.00	9,699.00
Auxiliary Agencies			
Physician—High and Elementary	400.00	400.00	500.00
Physician—Athletics	50.00	10.00	50.00
Nurse	1,180.00	1,180.00	1,516.66
Medical Supplies	65.00	62.08	85.00
Miscellaneous:			
Graduation	50.00	51.43	60.00
Telephone	286.80	323.69	375.00
Library	150.00	152.49	150.00
Transportation—Athletic and Educational	400.00	331.39	400.00
Tuition and Transportation	195.00	193.01	195.00
Bus Supervisor	.....	.....	183.00
Tuition—Training Echool	.....	.....	56.00
	2,776.80	2,704.09	3,570.66
Outlay			
New Equipment—High	1,675.20	1,549.68	800.00
New Equipment and Upkeep—Athletics	750.00	749.08	750.00
	2,425.20	2,298.76	1,550.00
TOTALS	$109,068.45	$105,775.44	$123,463.57

	Budget 1951	Expenditures During 1951	Budget 1952
SPECIAL APPROPRIATION			
Vocational	1,000.00	826.09	1,000.00
TRANSFER BY FINANCE COMMITTEE			
Repairs	750.00	738.75	.....
	$1,750.00	$1,564.84	$1,000.00
GRAND TOTALS	$110,818.45	$107,340.28	$124,463.57
TOTAL EXPENDITURES 1951			$107,340.28
RE-IMBURSEMENTS 1951			
Tuition from:			
Town of Wenham		$360.00	
Town of Essex		200.00	
State Wards—1951		762.62	
Shop		123.35	
Telephone Refund		7.18	
Gym Rental		20.00	
State Aid—Teachers' Salaries		12,977.97	
State Aid—Transportation		6,769.99	
Vocational—1950		276.64	
Total Re-imbursements—1951			21,497.75
Net cost to town in 1951			$85,842.53

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS (Revolving Funds)

ATHLETICS

Faculty Manager's Report (January 1—August 30, 1951)		
Receipts—January-August 30, 1951	$315.87	
Payments—January-August 30, 1951	292.03	
Balance, August 30, 1951		$23.84
Office Report (September 1, 1951-December 30, 1951)		
Balance, September 1, 1951	$23.84	
Receipts—September 1-December 31, 1951	257.50	
		$281.34
Payments—September 1-December 30, 1951		219.14
Balance, December 31, 1951		$62.20

CAFETERIA

Balance January 1, 1951		$1,037.27
Receipts January 1-December 31, 1951		10,915.10
Total Cash available for 1951		$11,952.37
Payments January 1-December 31, 1951:		
Labor	$2,267.50	
Food	8,309.65	
Miscellaneous	207.75	
		10,784.90
Balance, December 31, 1951		1,167.47
Accounts Receivable:		
Com. of Mass.—November 1951	$313.55	
Com. of Mass.—December 1951	279.64	
		593.19
Accounts Payable		$1,760.66
December 1951 bills		769.91
Net Profit to December 31, 1951		$990.75

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

I am pleased to submit my second report as Superintendent of the Hamilton schools.

School Buildings

To the casual observer the school picture may seem to have been dominated during the past years by the pros and cons of new school buildings. You will hardly need my resume of the year's activities to realize that the usual school work has been carried on and progress made despite the handicap of crowded quarters. With the completion of the school building program, the kindergarten and grades 1-6 can be adequately housed in their proper educational relationship, and the classes of the six upper grades scheduled more advantageously. Other anticipated changes will be cited in the course of this report.

The Staff

During the past year the teaching staff has lost only one member, Mr. Sakey, who resigned in the summer to accept a position at the Boston Latin School. Mr. Luther Johnson was hired as his replacement. Mr. Johnson has unique qualifications as a teacher of foreign languages since he speaks a number of languages fluently and has studied extensively abroad as well as at Clark University.

In September, Mr. Walter Perkins became an additional member of the Jonathan Lamson School faculty. He teaches Grade 5, which Miss Batchelder, with commendable willingness, relinquished to take a fourth grade class, and supervises playground and other activities, especially with the older boys. Mr. John O'Neil, on military leave from the high school will probably be away at least another year.

All the teachers are encouraged to participate in refresher courses to improve their work and broaden their professional backgrounds. The salary schedule places emphasis on the self-development of teachers and arrangements can sometimes be made to have courses given locally. That our teachers are seriously interested in increasing their competency is evidenced by the fact that more than half of the 23 full-time teachers took in-training courses last year. They amassed over 60 semester hour credits in attendance at the following institutions: Boston University, Leslie College, Lowell Teachers' College, New Hampshire University, Salem Teachers' College, and Tufts College. This record and the quality of teaching of the whole staff as evidenced by the scholastic achievement of the pupils assure even better results when the teachers' abilities are used more efficiently under the optimum educative conditions that will obtain in the new schools.

The opening of the new elementary school will necessitate the employment of three new teachers, one for the kindergarten, and one each for the fifth and sixth grades. The kindergarten and 5th grade are now in single units only because of lack of rooms, so next year they, plus the sixth grade, will be of such a size that separation into two sections is educationally desirable.

While she has no definite classes, Miss Florence Stobbart, our school nurse, has worked well and conscientiously as an important member of the staff. She is responsible for the children who go to the dental clinic conducted so ably by Dr. John King, and assists Dr. Daniel Rogers, the school doctor, who gives the yearly physical examinations. As the school enrollment has increased, the number of children who go for dental or physical examinations has grown to the point where the two days Miss Stobbart has been with us are simply not enough. By increasing her time in the school department to three days, we are assured of maintaining an efficient check on the health problems of the school children.

I cannot close this survey of the staff without mentioning appreciatively the industry, conscientiousness and loyalty that our janitors, Mr. Bernard Cullen and Mr. Hovey Humphrey have shown in the care of their buildings. The example of a clean, neat, well-cared-for school building is of definite educational value and most pleasant for those who attend it.

Curriculum

Two changes in the high school curriculum are recommended to start in September. First in the foreign language department, three years of both Latin and French and one year of Spanish are now offered. One year of Spanish gives no credit toward college entrance and so few students have elected the course this year, it should be discontinued until such time as there is more demand for it, or it can be followed by a second year's study to yield college entrance credit. The three language credits required by most colleges can be obtained by completing of either three years of one language or two years of each of two languages. Our present courses in Latin and French permit the college preparatory student ample opportunity to earn his required language credits.

The course designated Modern European History has also been elected by so few that its deletion must be considered. All students are required to complete courses in Civics and United States History. "Problems of Democracy" and "World History" are elective, the latter including the salient points of recent European history. The elimination of this history unit would not weaken the overall program.

I suggest serious consideration be given the introduction of a course in Driver Education. It would involve classroom instruction as well as behind-the-wheel training. The lead article of *The Massachusetts Teacher* for January explains and discusses the value derived from such courses and has thought-provoking statistics to prove the case. If I may quote at random from Mr. Pepyne's article—"248 of the 257 public high schools in Massachusetts offer classroom instruction in driver education and 151 of these schools have dual-control driver-training cars." A representative

group of 1500 students was chosen for a 10 year research study. "Inspector Martin E. Morrill, who is conducting this survey, reports that the present trend indicates that drivers in the untrained group have nine times as many reportable violations and accidents as those who have had classroom instruction and more than ten times as many as those who have had the complete program . . . Three out of four boys and girls will be driving before reaching their twenty-fifth birthday . . . Driver education, then aims to teach boys and girls to do better that which they eventually will have to do anyway." If these statistics should be in error by 100%, a course in driver education would still deserve serious consideration. Think of the change in character of the driver population over a period of years if the new drivers added each year were all properly educated and trained.

The school library is being expanded and furnished with current books and periodicals whenever it is financially possible. One of the more important additions was the 1951 edition of the World Book Encyclopedia which has recently been added to the reference shelf. We are indebted to Miss Ruth Austen for the time and effort she gives to the library both during and after school hours. The students also receive invaluable encouragement and help in their reading problems from the local librarians, Mrs. Lydia Haraden and Mrs. Alvin Perley. We are fortunate to have two such interested and cooperative librarians in the public library.

The school cafeteria continues to be self-supporting. With increased food and labor costs and fewer government surplus items the present low cost of twenty cents for the meal and five cents for milk is possible only because of the large percentage of pupils who participate in the program. As the cafeteria operates with a very small surplus for emergency expenses, its continued support by the pupils will be necessary to maintain the present price level in the year to come.

Guidance

We continue to find the Boston University Guidance and Testing Service a valuable help to class advisors. I refer you to the report of the high school Principal, Mrs. Hazel Ramer, for a more detailed account of the testing program. Miss Priscilla McKay deserves special mention for her efforts in advising and directing the seniors to the schools and colleges for which they are best adapted.

From last year's twenty-seven graduates, six are in liberal arts colleges, four, in business colleges, two in nurses training schools, three in the Armed Forces, and twelve are employed in a variety of business establishments. Percentage wise, about 40% have continued to study beyond high school, a really impressive figure. It is noteworthy that of the number of graduates who have returned to visit the school, all, with seeming sincerity, expressed regret that they had not studied more in high school.

The vocational courses, insofar as possible, are given practical goals. The desired manual dexterity can be attained just as well when producing a useful object. Whenever a pupil shows the interest, inclination, and ability that mark the future artisan, he is encouraged to realize his poten-

tialities. As well as making tables, cupboards and other articles for their homes, the boys have painted the offices and built in faculty mailboxes. The standing shelves they built for the South Hamilton Branch of the Public Library meet the standards of professional workmanship and may be considered a part of the school's contribution to the community.

The adult vocational courses at Beverly still attract Hamilton residents. This year twelve adults are enrolled in evening school courses in dressmaking, hooked rugs and landscape sketching.

Student Activities

The educational value of the athletic teams is not shown in the columns of games won and lost. It comes from the spirit of fair play, team work and good sportsmanship with which the game is played and it will remain long after playing days are over. Our girls' teams, capably coached by Mrs. Jeanette Houle, and the boys' basketball and baseball teams under the able direction of Mr. Carl Martini and Mr. Wilton Moyer, respectively, won the majority of their games last season. The football team with Mr. Moyer as mentor made a phenomenal scoring record this fall. However I consider that the team would have well deserved the banquet it was tendered for the fine team spirit, loyalty and fair play that was exhibited whatever the scores might have been. The donation of a tackling dummy and the holding of a banquet for the football team mean much more than the money such gifts represent. It is evidence of the interest of the community in the schools, an invaluable adjunct of a good school system.

The High School Athletic Association is still struggling to make both ends meet, the year's end balance showing $62.20. The removal of the federal tax from admissions to school games will give a welcome boost to the receipts. The Magazine Drive, under the direction of Miss Libby Volk, realized $207.86 profit, which, together with a $100 contribution by the Varsity Club has been turned over to the Athletic Association for the payment of new athletic equipment. The financial reports of the several classes follow:

Class	*Advisor*	*Balance*
1952	Miss Priscilla McKay	$162.16
1953	Mr. Wilton Moyer	109.18
1954	Mr. Wilbur Armstrong	105.28
1955	Mr. Luther Johnson	49.72
1956	Mr. Marshall Gero	34.83
1957	Miss Edith Anderson	26.45

It is intended that the classes by paying dues and otherwise raising money throughout their school years will accumulate enough by their junior and senior years to at least partially pay the assessments for class rings, proms and the like that are traditional with the upper classes. The complete financial records of all the school organizations are on file in the superintendent's office.

The collections for worthy causes which are taken up from the student body from time to time amount to a considerable total in a year. Rather than the sum of money, it is the training of future citizens that is important. If the school can graduate to the community young people who are aware of the social problems and ready to share with those who are less fortunate, it will be fulfilling a part of its duty no less important than the teaching of Latin and mathematics. The students have given generously to the Junior Red Cross, Tuberculosis Drive, March of Dimes, and Crusade for Freedom. To the March of Dimes alone the Jonathan Lamson School contributed $132.78 and the High School, $71.30. Miss Marian Joseph and Mrs. Hazel Ramer are to be congratulated for the development of social consciences in their young citizens.

The New Schools

Both school construction projects are underway and we are waiting eagerly the day they will be completed. The most gratifying part of the whole program was the unanimity of opinion in the community that the schools should be built and built well. The people of Hamilton have spent a large amount of money to give their children a better education. They may be assured that the staff will be able to function at the highest peak of efficiency in the fine new quarters.

The new school facilities will no doubt be used by community groups to an even greater extent than heretofore. They belong to the town and should be readily available to its citizens for numerous non-school uses. However may I direct the taxpayer's attention to an item in the budget labeled "reimbursements." All the costs of operation of the school plant must be paid from the school budget. Payments received for the use of any of the school facilities must be returned to the town treasury instead of being used to reduce the operational costs of the school department. The same procedure must be used with amounts paid for materials used in the vocational courses. These items make a comparatively small total but a study of the whole list of reimbursements including tuitions and the like shows that the school budget that must be voted by the town is considerably higher than the net cost of operating the school. As the number of pupils increases the school budget will be larger. I can but pledge myself to the most efficient operation of the school system as is consistent with good education.

In conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation to the members of the School Committee for their cooperation and consideration of my problems; To the teachers, pupils and custodians for their cheerful acceptance of conditions arising from the construction of the new addition; and to Mrs. Elizabeth Edmondson, School Secretary, for her invaluable assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

MILTON C. BLANCHARD,
Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

To the Superintendent of Schools,

Dear Sir:

I am happy to submit my first annual report as Principal of Hamilton High School.

Preliminary steps were taken to lay the foundation for an improved Guidance Program during March, 1951 when Boston University Educational Diagnostic Tests were administered to grades 8 and 11. The purpose of this battery as applied to grade 8 is to aid a pupil to discover his natural aptitudes in order that he may be guided to choose, with his parents' approval, the proper curriculum subjects which will begin his training for a future career. Incidentally the need for remedial correction is often uncovered so that special attention can be given wherever possible. The object of testing grade 11 is to determine the vocational aptitudes of pupils through a survey of verbal and non-verbal learning areas. Thus, before the Senior year, it is possible to analyze a student's strength and weaknesses, especially in English and mathematics, and provide corrective courses where there is marked deficiency or to allow enrichment pursuits for especially gifted pupils.

Conferences were held with individual parents of the Junior Class during April in order to recommend these remedial needs for the Senior year and to encourage plans for further education beyond graduation. Time and opportunity did not permit these individual parent-conferences concerning grade 8, which indicates the need for at least a part-time Guidance Counselor which the State Department of Education has insistently recommended for Hamilton schools. Our enrollment and A-classification justified such an appointment as the general run of classroom teacher lacks the desirable skill for such counseling. Our home room teachers have done a valiant job at guidance the past year especially in assisting their pupils to choose Club Activities last September. Some of these extra-curriculum areas are intended to be for exploratory purposes and others for corrective reasons: for instance, Nature Club for creating interests in science lines, and "How to Study" for reading and comprehension.

A series of assemblies for vocational information have also been arranged to aid both commercial and college preparatory pupils, with outside speakers from Beverly Hospital, Academic Modern, Essex Agricultural School, Burdett College, Massachusetts School of Physiotherapy, etc.

The "Guidance Movement" is a result of social change in our country and is affected by various educational influences. Progressive high schools will continue to expand this program as "time marches on" and greater needs are felt due to environmental changes and variations in behavior patterns.

For several years both teachers and parents have been conscious of the

difficulty of adjustment experienced by pupils of seventh grade level. For this reason I would like to recommend a policy which might help to ease the strain of this situation and prevent so many upsets and frustrations. A mild form of "core curriculum" could be adopted with more coordination between English and Social subjects, also between mathematics and science. This would necessitate the reservation of at least three full-time junior high academic teachers in order not to interfere with the adopted schedule. Then if these four subjects in grade 7 could be handled by two members of the faculty and those of grade 8 by three teachers there would ensue a shorter period of adjustment to high school methods and customs.

This year upon the opening in September we had but one faculty change. Charles Sakey resigned from the Foreign Language Department and was replaced by Luther Johnson, a young teacher with unusual preparation in that he speaks five languages fluently and reads several more readily. His Master's Degree was taken at Clark University but he has had considerable further education abroad. Because our teaching force has now become nearly stable, evidence of marked academic progress should result. When eighteen percent or more of the student body continue to be listed as Honor Roll students—being college certification rank—it appears that our school is showing a remarkable average since standard test averages are expectant of around 10%. This means, not that Hamilton High has an unusual number of brillant pupils but that its students are taking their academic work seriously and that the faculty is efficient and hardworking also.

There are numerous rewards and challenges offered our pupils here at Hamilton High School. The Daughters of the American Revolution annually invite the faculty to choose a Senior girl outstanding academically, socially, and patriotically to represent our school at a convention and banquet held in Boston each spring. The 1951 participant was Laura Tate; for 1952 Ruth Crowell has been chosen. The local American Legion each year sponsors the attendance of two boys to "Boys State" held the middle of June at Massachusetts State Agricultural College in Amherst. In 1951 Roger Washburn and Richard Smith were selected as outstanding Juniors—best demonstrating leadership, speaking ability, scholarship, and dependability. This is a nine day affair and good civic education. The Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion also choses the "girl of the year" from the Junior class, having similar qualifications, to attend "Girls' State" at Bridgewater State Teachers' College. Janice Blenkhorn enjoyed this privilege in June 1951. The 1952 candidates will be chosen shortly by the faculty. Hamilton High appreciates the interest shown by these organizations, in civic education and the pupils strive to attain this annual privilege.

Another social studies activity is the annual election of a representative to attend Good Government Day at the State House during March, the date being set by Governor's Proclamation. The student body elects these representatives by ballot, which teaches voting techniques and allows for more or less campaigning previous to voting day. Small high schools now have as much representation as city high schools and attendants may

be elected governor-for-a-day or even be appointed to serve on some important committee. Leonard Desautelle was our chosen Representative for 1951. The "Problems of Democracy" class conduct this annual election most efficiently.

Early in 1951, the Senior High Glee Club was invited to broadcast at WLAW on the annual "March of Dimes" program. This same invitation has been extended by Mr. Daniel Harrington of the Essex County "March of Dimes" drive several times previously. Their performance last January was most commendable and received widespread favorable comment. It is indeed an honor to have our local Glee Club singled out from those of larger schools in the County as best fitted to entertain on this broadcast and we are justly proud of the finished performance due to the able training of the music instructor, Miss Ruth Austen.

Late in the spring of 1951 the annual operetta was staged in the Maxwell Norman auditorium. "Jeanie" was a delightful production with melodious solo numbers and catchy choruses. Young people who participate in such an undertaking grow in poise and reap a harvest of satisfaction in an experience that will be treasured in adult recollection.

Hamilton High had an exceedingly successful football season in 1951. Our team capably coached by Wilton J. Moyerm was undefeated so they were awarded the annual trophy of the Eastern Massachusetts Six-man Football League. This adorns a prominent place in the trophy-cabinet in our main hall—a cabinet donated last spring by Mrs. B. Preston Cutler.

No less successful was the 1951 Basketball season for both boys and girls. I would refer you to the Athletic report for more details about last season. Our coaches, Carl Martini and Jeannette Houle, do concentrated training and emphasize good sportsmanship and consideration for opponents. From a principal's point of view, this is most gratifying because it helps to maintain school morale and builds a reputation of fair play and good citizenship which reaches out to other communities that we contact.

Last winter the social studies department participated in a District Oratorical History contest at Boston with Janice Blenkhorn representing Hamilton High. Although our school did not attain highest honors, still the effort toward attainment was most valuable to all who entered the preliminary contest as well as to the winner and the results were quite satisfactory to Mr. Moyer.

More time has been given this school year to audio-visual education especially in science, shop, and social studies. Mr. Armstrong, as coordinator, has obtained many free films which were used to supplement or enrich these courses. Our Bell-Howell movie-machine has been used in a competent manner under the instruction of a capable Freshman, Donald Lincoln, and his staff of assistants.

An educational journal quotes the story of a harassed parent who was sort of exasperated by the amount of homework he had to supervise and explain to his son of high school age so that he wrote the teacher suggesting that they reverse roles, he do the teaching and she tend to the homework. Probably many Hamilton parents have felt just that way at times and wondered if homework is just a relic or a past era which has

seen its day and should now be abolished as an unnecessary bother. It seems that parents are uniquely equipped to oversee much of the drill work that it entailed in getting an education: they can advise and regulate this home study to fit physical and family demands; they understand the emotional reactions of their own children; they know the weaknesses as well as the abilities of their offspring and how to exploit them; they possess a patient tolerance of shortcomings; and finally they are nearly always capable of academic coaching. Due to the pressure of required courses and the necessity for creating proper study and work habits while young, homework looks like a "must" for many years to come. It seems to be a permanent policy in American education.

May I, in closing, thank the parents of our young people for their valuable cooperation during the past year and the faculty for its loyalty and eagerness to see a job well done.

Respectfully submitted,

HAZEL E. RAMER,
Principal.

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL

Jonathan Lamson School

To the Superintendent of Schools,

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my yearly report of the Jonathan Lamson School.

School opened in September with the large registration, kindergarten through grade six, of three hundred thirty-seven pupils; fifty-eight over the record of 1950. Up to date twenty pupils have been transferred to other schools and eight have been admitted making our total enrollment at present three hundred twenty-five. This enrollment tops that of 1950 by thirty-seven pupils.

The kindergarten, which is still being held at the Town Hall, because of its large registration, was divided and morning and afternoon sessions are being conducted.

This September the fourth grade was divided and Miss Margaret Batchelder, formerly teacher of the fifth grade, is teaching one of these classes.

In order to make room for this extra class the first grade, consisting of forty-nine pupils, is using one large class room and a small office room. Mrs. Bette Chittick is teaching all of the reading groups in the smaller room while Miss Mary Lucey teaches the other subjects to the remainder of the children in the main class room.

At the beginning of the term Mrs. Chittick administered Gates Reading Readiness Tests to each first grade pupil. These tests aided in more accurate group placements.

Mr. Walter S. Perkins, a local young man, and a graduate of Northeastern University was appointed in September to teach the fifth grade.

Mr. Perkins has been active in organizing and supervising several after school activities such as hikes, fishing trips, and bicycle rides. These trips were open to pupils of grades three through six. He is planning to have a baseball team in the spring.

The Safety Patrol is again being conducted by pupils of the fifth grade. On October 26th, Chief Frederick was invited to talk to this group. He outlined the duties of a Safety Patrol and pointed out to them the importance of the work they were doing. Their goal is to help every child obey the safety rules and be safe.

The fifth grade, with their teacher, visited the New Science Building in Boston on December 13th. This visit promoted greater interest in science among members of this group.

The sixth grade class is still being held at the High School. We are all looking forward to the completion of the new Elementary School when all of the classes will again be under one roof.

In conclusion I would like to express to you, the school committee, parents and teachers my appreciation of their loyalty and support.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIAN S. JOSEPH, *Principal,*
Jonathan Lamson School.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Elsewhere in the Town Report the School Nurse has given statistics bearing on the health of the school children. School health has been good thanks to the cooperation of the School Nurse, teachers, and parents.

The objectives outlined in last year's report are being pursued. An important innovation this year is the Wetzel Grid record card, introduced in the lower grades. The grid portrays graphically the growth and development of the child. Inasmuch as retardation of growth and development may be the first signs of impending disease, such a record will indicate which children need more careful observation throughout the school year. The grid card will gradually replace the old cards throughout the Hamilton school system.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL L. ROGERS, M.D.,
School Physician.

REPORT OF THE FACULTY MANAGER OF ATHLETICS

To the Superintendent of Schools,

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my first annual report of the Hamilton High School Athletic Association. This is a partial report of the year, covering the period of my appointment as faculty manager. The football team enjoyed outstanding success by winning all the games of the entire season. With reference to equipment new pieces have been added, such as basketballs, but it is hoped that the baseball team will be furnished with new uniforms for the next season.

Receipts from the Football Games

Leavitt	74.40	
Alumni	35.86	
Essex Aggie	36.74	
Lancaster	31.45	
Cambridge School of Weston	24.05	
		202.50
Sixty students applied for athletic accident insurance		134.00
Officials for football		100.00
Officials for field hockey		28.50
Basketball tickets to date (December 31)		21.50

Athletics should be a privilege for good scholarship. We intend that participation in athletics should encourage greater appreciation of good health and develop physical fitness in the student.

Respectfully submitted,

E. LUTHER JOHNSON,
Faculty Manager of Athletics.

REPORT OF THE CAFETERIA MANAGER

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I herewith submit my annual report of the Hamilton School Cafeterias.

The school cafeterias have this year, as in the past, provided a nutritious noon luncheon at the least cost to the pupil by being on the Federal Lunch Program.

To receive the greatest benefits from this program the Type A luncheon is served which allows the following amounts of the necessary food requirements to be served each pupil each day:

Type A Luncheon

Meat or Substitute Protein	2 oz.
Vegetable and/or Fruit	¾ cup
Butter or Fortified Margerine	2 tsps.
Milk, (unflavored as a beverage)	½ pint

In addition to the requirements of the Type A luncheon enriched bread and a dessert is served daily.

This year the cost of the luncheon has remained at the low price of twenty-five cents per day although the cost of foods has increased greatly.

The cafeterias are reimbursed nine cents for each Type A luncheon sold to a pupil and two cents for each ½ pint of milk sold separate from the luncheon. The government also supplies surplus foods to schools on this program in proportion to the number of pupils served monthly. The surplus foods this year have included the following: powdered milk, powdered eggs, honey, peanut butter, butter, canned tomatoes, cheese, canned cherries, canned peas, concentrated orange juice, and canned string beans.

The Federal Government Aid enables the Hamilton school cafeterias to be completely self supporting, including the wages paid to the two cafeteria employees.

During the past year we have added a potato parer to our cafeteria equipment.

The members of the cafeteria staff are looking foreward to working in the modern cafeteria which is to be apart of the new elementary school. The high school will also have a new cafeteria which will enable us to serve the growing school population more efficiently.

Respectfully submitted,

MILLICENT J. BOSWELL,
Cafeteria Manager.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

To the Superintendent of Schools,
Hamilton, Massachusetts,

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my twenty-second annual report as School Nurse of the Town of Hamilton.

Total enrollment (including kindergarten) 528

Result of physical examination to date by Dr. Daniel M. Rogers, School Physician.

Defects		*Corrections Reported*	
Mod. Enlarged Tonsils	17	Tonsillectomy and Adenoidectomy	4
Enlarged Tonsils			
Glands	24		
Posture	11		
Foot abnormalties	11	Under treatment	4
Functional Heart Murmurs	11	Rechecked every year	
Appendictis	2	Appendectomy	2
Miscellaneous Defects		*Under Treatment*	
Scalp condition	3	Scalp condition	3
Speech	2	Speech	2
Exzema	3	Exzema	3
Asthma	4	Asthma	4
Poliomyelitis	3	Poliomyelitis	3
Fractures	9	Fractures	9

All defects found among children during the school examination are reported to their parents with the recommendation that they consult their family physician.

First aid dressings at school 64

Tuberculosis Clinic

All children, with parents consent, from grade nine through grade twelve had the opportunity to receive the Patch test this past year.

No. of pupils in grades 9-12	108
No. Pupils Patch tested	97
No. pupils X-rayed	6
No. pupils X-rayed and found negative	4
No. pupils X-rayed to be rechecked in four months	2

Diphtheria and Tetanus Clinic

All pupils throughout the Hamilton Schools needing Booster shots of Tetanus or Diphtheria had the opportunity to have same during the clinic dates. All pre-school children may receive the same at the Well Child Conference held at the Community House monthly and for which

there is no charge. To date approximately 300 have received these treatments by Doctors Rogers and Hill with Mrs. Ricker assisting. The expense is borne by the Parent-Teacher Association.

Contagious and Communicable Diseases Reported

I am pleased to report very little contagion in school during the past year. Three cases of non paralytic poliomyelitis were reported. These children, attending school, have had no ill effects.

Measles	5	Chicken Pox	5
Impetigo	3	Exzema	4
Mumps	6		

Eye and Ear Examinations

The eyes and ears of children attending school from the first grade through the twelfth grade have annual examinations. All defects found of eyes and ears are reported to their parents.

No. found with defective vision	25
No. found with some hearing loss	11
No. reported having received glasses	14
No. under treatment for hearing loss	9

Dental Report

The Dental Clinic conducted by Dr. John King is one of our most important health functions. Every child from grade one through six has the chance to take advantage of this dental program. The cost to each child being seventy-five cents per treatment. A Dental Certificate is given to each child when all dental work has been completed.

Total No. dental operations	847
Total No. cleanings	119
Total No. amalgam (permanent fillings)	412
Total No. temporary extractions	32
Total No. permanent extractions	2
Total No. fluorine treatments	20
Total No. temporary filling c. cement	61
c. linings	34
mo. eugenol	12
Total No. miscellaneous treatments—Root treat.	21
Total No. examinations	63
Total No. X-rays	23
Total No. having Novacaine	48
Total No. children attending clinic to date	662
Total No. clinical hours	209
Total No. dental certificates awarded	79

All dental work at the High School is taken care of privately.

Number of High School pupils reporting having dental care during the past year—108.

Cafeteria Service

The program of hot school lunches is still available to all school children wishing to take advantage of same.

Considerable effort and time is spent by all the personnel caring for this service and they are to be commended for doing such excellent work.

In closing I wish to thank the doctors, nurses, Mr. Blanchard, teachers, parents and all who have contributed to the health program in our schools.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE L. STOBBART, R.N.,

School Nurse.

NOTE: The school work of Dr. John King is included in the above report. Inasmuch as he is not under the supervision of the school department the Superintendent requests that the townspeople study carefully the report found elsewhere in the town report for 1951. The outstanding work done by Dr. King for the school children of Hamilton is greatly appreciated by the School Department.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Hamilton High School, Class of 1951

HAMILTON TOWN HALL

June 21, 1951 — Eight O'clock P.M.

PROGRAM

PROCESSIONAL

Girls Glee Club

"Pomp and Circumstance" — *Edward Elgar*

INVOCATION

Reverend Halsey De Wolf Howe

COMMENCEMENT THEME

Firm Foundations

Preserving American Ideals — Ann MacCurrach

Girls Glee Club

"Manna of Life and Heaven" — *Cesar Frank*

Building Success — Barbara Ann Bennett

Our Impending Problems — Leonard Lawrence Desautelle

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Teachers Club — Miss Ruth Austen
Alumni — Mr. James Dodge
Community — Mr. Dene Moulton

Girls Glee Club

"Your Land and My Land" — *Sigmund Romberg*

AWARDING OF DIPLOMAS — Mr. Morley Piper, *Chairman of School Committee*

BENEDICTION — Reverend Halsey De Wolf Howe

RECESSIONAL

GRADUATES

Joan May April
†Thomas Bane
Douglas Thayer Benfield
*Barbara Ann Bennett
Marguerite Jane Caverly
Elizabeth Clock
*Leonard Lawrence Desautelle
Bertha Catherine Eskelson
Gloria Ann Gardiner
Charles Herbert Harding
George Arthur Jermyn
Lucy Ann Lander
Diane Porter Love
*Ann Marie MacCurrach
Janet Louise Maidment
Mary Elizabeth Moran
William Daniel Moran
*Mary Jane Pariseau
Alice Elizabeth Selin
Joan Montgomery Semons
Lee Whitehead Schefield, Jr.
David Chester Shannon
Virginia Ann Stelline
Laura Isabelle Tate
Lee Diane Tremblay
Paul Kevin Wallace
Edmund Arthur Wentworth

† In Service — * Honor Roll

SCHOOL CENSUS AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1951

	Boys	*Girls*
Number between five and seven years of age	68	46
Number between seven and sixteen years of age	212	166
Totals	280	212
Total Census		492

Distribution of the above minors, October 1, 1951:

In the Public Day School	444
In continuation School	0
In vocational school	4
In private school	41
In state and county institutions and special schools for defective delinquents	1
Not enrolled in any day school	2
Totals (should equal corresponding totals in the above registrations)	492

AGE OF ADMITTANCE

Pupils entering the kindergarten in September must have been at least four years of age on March 1st preceding entrance in September.

Pupils entering the first grade in September must have been at least five years of age on March 1st preceding entrance in September.

VACCINATION

Children who have not been vaccinated will not be admitted to school in September unless they present a certificate from a regular practicing physician stating that they are not fit subjects for vaccination. Parents are requested to attend to this matter during the summer vacation, as certificates of vaccination or exemption must be presented at the opening of school to entitle children to admission.

NO-SCHOOL SIGNAL

Radio broadcast over WNAC of Yankee Network and Salem WESX between 7:30 and 8:00 a.m., if there is no school for the day.

22-22 at 7:30 a.m. over the local fire alarms means that there will be no school for the day.

NOTE TO PARENTS

School will be in session whenever possible. When the weather is bad, the bus contractor, Mr. Lawrence Lamson, informs the superintendent at an early hour whether or not the busses can operate. If the busses can be operated safely, there will be school. As conditions vary in different localities, parents are urged to exercise their own judgment and keep their child at home if weather conditions in their vicinity or the health of the child warrants it. A perfect attendance record should not be secured at the expense of good health.

HAMILTON TEACHERS' DIRECTORY, JANUARY 1, 1952

Name	*School*	*Subject or Grade*	*Appointment*	*Yrs. Experience*	*Education*	*Degrees*
Milton C. Blanchard	High	Superintendent	1950	18	Wentworth Institute	—
					Tufts College	B.S.
Mrs. Hazel Ramer	High	Principal	1921	41	Salem Normal	—
E. Luther Johnson	High	Foreign Languages	1951	0	Clark University	M.A.
Wilbur Armstrong	High	Science	1944	30	Atlantic Union	B.R.E., B.A.
					Boston University	M.A.
Mrs. Jeannette Houle	High	Commercial—Physical Education for Girls	1950	1	Texas Christian Univ.	B.S.
Libby L. Volk	High	Commercial	1946	5	Salem Teachers' Col.	B.S.E.
					Boston University	M.E.
Priscilla McKay	High	English	1950	5	Amer. International Col.	B.A.
Edith M. Anderson	High	History	1929	37	Salem Normal	—
Wilton J. Moyer	High	Mixed	1949	11	Mansfield, Penna.	
					State Teachers Col.	B.S.E.
Ruth E. Austen	High	English and Music	1945	7	Radcliffe	A.B.
					New Eng. Conserv. Music	M.B.
					Boston University	M.E.
Carl J. Martini	High	Math. and Physical Education for Boys	1950	8	Holy Cross	B.S.
					Tufts College	M.A.
Millicent J. Boswell	High	Home Economics and Cafeteria Manager	1943	9	Framingham Tea. Col.	B.S.E.
					Simmons College	M.S.
Marshall Gero	High	Manual Training	1947	15	Fitchburg Tea. Col.	B.S.E.
Ellen Duffy	High	Grade 6	1927	26	Gorham Normal	—
Walter S. Perkins	J. Lamson	Grade 5	1951	0	Northeastern Univ.	A.B.
Margaret K. Batchelder	"	Grade 4	1920	32	Salem Normal	—
Marian C. Joseph, Principal	"	Grade 4	1921	31	Salem Normal	—
Evelyn Rankin	"	Grade 3	1949	15	Gorham Normal	—
Mrs. Carolyn Lander	"	Grade 3	1950	14	Gorham Normal	—
Mrs. Doris Foster	"	Grade 2	1948	7	Keene Normal	—
Mrs. Ruth Harris	"	Grade 2	1949	2	Salem Tea. Col.	B.S.E.
Mrs. Bette Chittick	"	Grade 1	1948	7	California, Penna.	
					State Tea. Col.	B.S.E.
Mary E. Lucey	"	Grade 1	1948	3	Salem Teachers Col.	B.S.E.
Harriet Erskine	"	Kindergarten	1946	7	Leslie Kindergarten	—
Maude L. Thomas	"	Music	1923	29	Boston University	—
Mrs. Edwina Beilman	"	Art	1950	4	Swain School of Design	—
Florence L. Stobbart	All	Nurse	1925	26	Beverly Hospital	R.N.

HAMILTON HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM OF STUDIES

The Hamilton High School Program is based upon certain subjects which all pupils must study and additional courses from which the pupils may choose that which interests them more or better suits their needs.

For the students who plan to go to college the proper selections of elective subjects will prepare them for entrance to any college, nurse's training school, or technical school. If students can decide early in their high school career which institution of higher learning they want to attend they will be better able to make a choice of electives.

The students who do not expect to continue school work further but wish to have a good high school education will choose electives that will give background for training to cope with the problems of our complex industrial civilization.

The students whose interests are in the field of business will elect subjects in the commercial field.

Each subject successfully completed counts a specified number of credits toward graduation. Eighty credits are required for a high school diploma; sixty credits for membership in the senior class; forty credits for membership in the junior class; and twenty credits for membership in the sophomore class.

Obviously the choice of electives should be made only after careful *consideration* by the *STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS.* If there are any points of doubt or question the teachers or administrator should be consulted. It is intended to have the elective courses fit the individual needs and aptitudes of each student.

The following lists the required and elective courses offered to each of the grades.

Grade Seven

English
Mathematics
Geography
Science
Physical Education
Homemaking—Girls
Shop—Boys
Music Appreciation
Activity
Study
Religious Education

Grade Eight

English
Mathematics
History
Science
Physical Education
Homemaking—Girls
Shop—Boys
Music Appreciation
Activity
Study
Religious Education

Grade Nine

(20 credits necessary for promotion)

	CREDITS
English	5
Civics	5
Science	2
Physical Education	2
Activity	½

Electives

Latin I	5
Junior Business Training	5
Algebra I	5
Shop—Boys	5
Homemaking—Girls	5

Grade Ten

(Accumulation of 40 credits necessary for promotion)

	CREDITS
English	5
Physical Education	2
Activity	½

Electives

Plane Geometry	5
Sales and Psychology	5
Latin II	5
Typing I	5
World History	5
French I	5
Modern European History	5
Biology	5
Commercial Law	5
Shop—Boys	5
Homemaking—Girls	5

Grade Eleven

(Accumulation of 60 credits necessary for promotion)

	CREDITS
English	5
U. S. History	5
Activity	½
Physical Education	2

Electives

French II	5
Typing II	5
General Math	5
Spanish I	5
Algebra II	5
Shorthand I	5
Shop—Boys	5
Homemaking—Girls	5

Grade Twelve

(Accumulation of 80 credits necessary for graduation)

	CREDITS
English	5
Physical Education	2
Activity	½

Electives

Physics or Chem. (alt. yrs.)	5
Solid Geometry	5
Typing III	5
French or Latin III	5
Shorthand II	5
Economics and World Geog.	5
Bookkeeping I	5
Spanish I	5
Problems of Democracy	5
Shop—Boys	5
Homemaking—Girls	5

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Subject to Change)

1952

January 2	Schools open
February 21	Schools close
March 3	Schools open
April 11	Good Friday
April 25	Schools close
May 5	Schools open
May 30	Holiday
June 13	Elementary School closes
June 20	High School closes

Summer Vacation

September 3	Schools open
October 13	Holiday
November 11	Holiday
November 14	Teachers' Convention
November 26	Schools close at noon
December 1	Schools open
December 23	Schools close at noon

1953

January 5	Schools open

MEMBERSHIP BY AGE AND GRADE, OCTOBER 1, 1951

AGE

Grade	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	Total
Kdg.	24	43															67
1		25	19	3													47
2			15	38	2	1											56
3				7	40	2											49
4					13	28	1	1									43
5						17	24	1	1								43
6							8	17	6								31
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Totals	24	68	34	48	55	48	33	27	38	30	30	42	35	14	2		528

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